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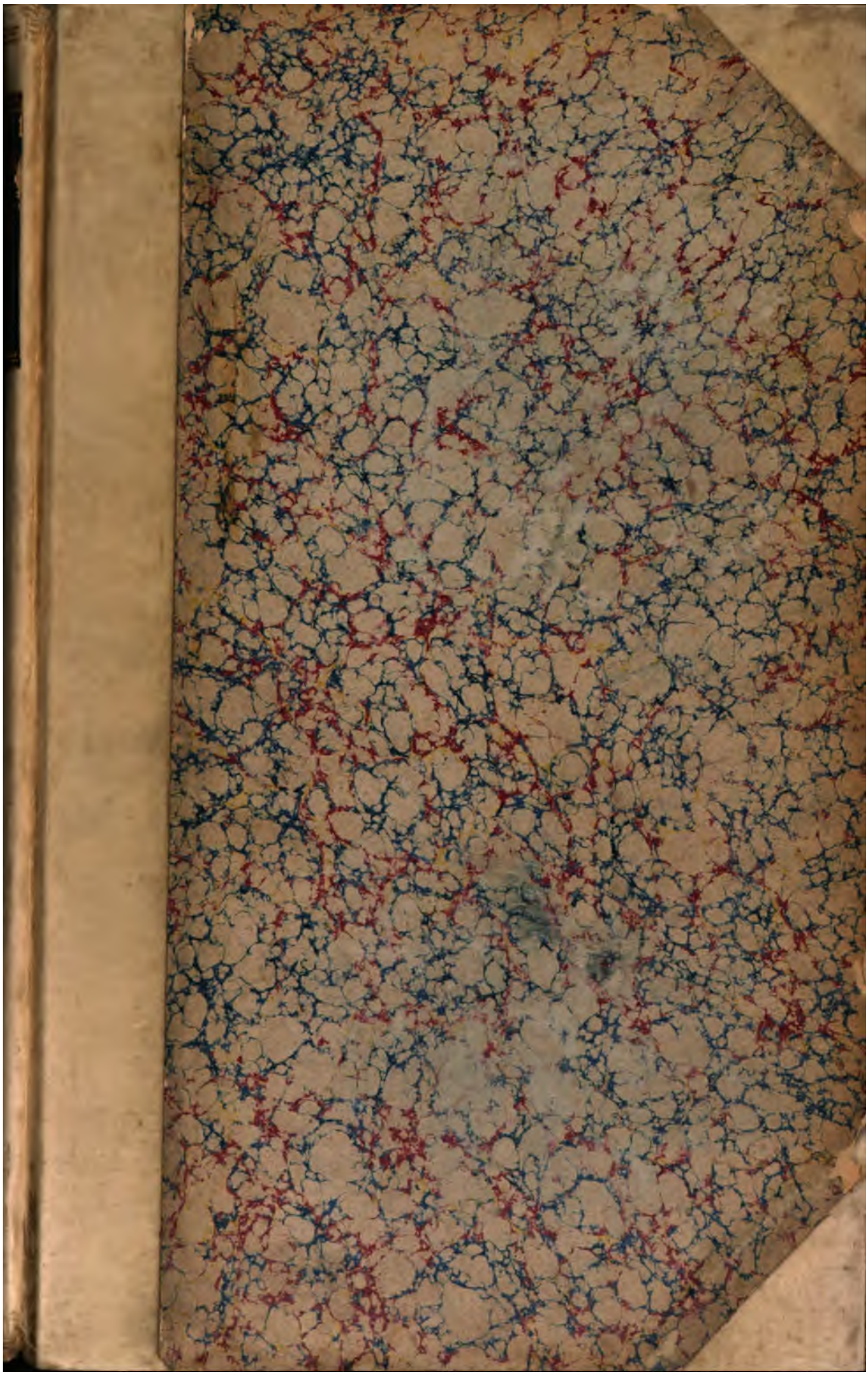

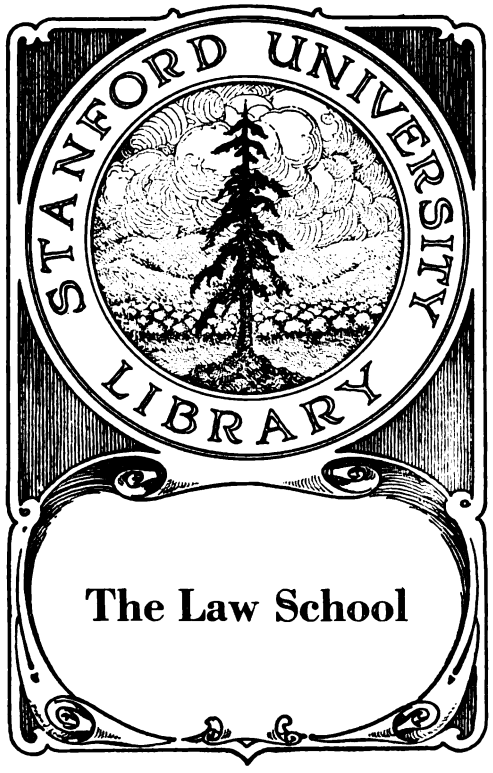

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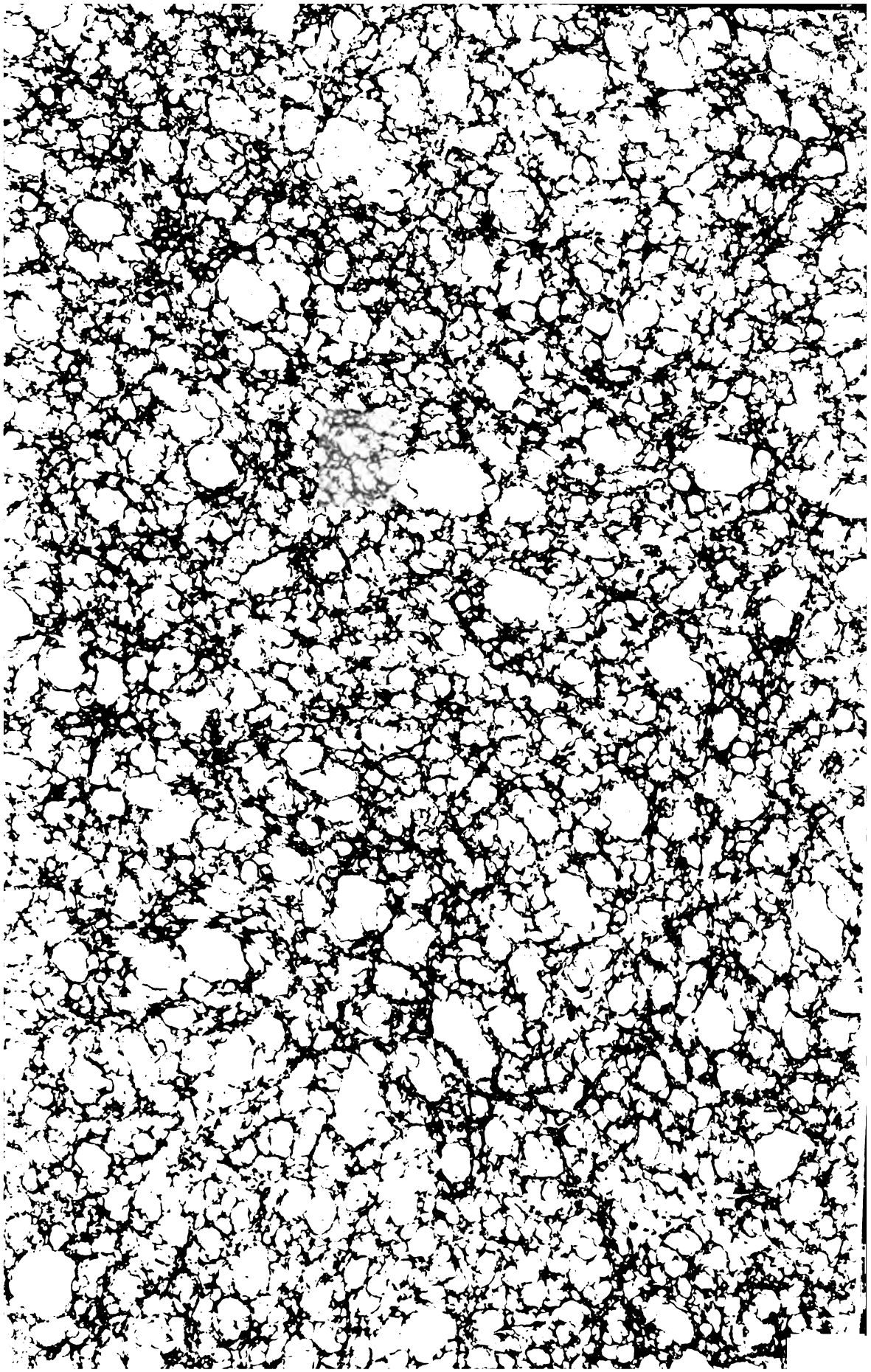

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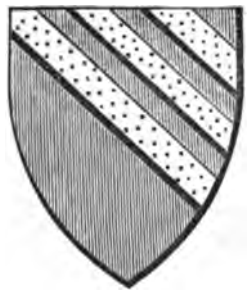

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The full title of this Court was "the Court Leet with View of Frank Pledge of the manor of Manchester," and the latter part of the title demands a little consideration. *The View of Frank Pledge* was an ancient custom, by which every free-born male, of the age of 14 (with certain exceptions), was required to give security that he would be true to his Sovereign and the latter's subjects, and it was required of him that his neighbours should become bound for him to see that he was forthcoming at all times, and to answer for him if he absented himself. "And whenever any one offended it was forthwith inquired in what *pledge* he was, and then those of the pledge either produced the offender within 31 days, or satisfied for his offence. This was called *frank pledge*, and this custom was so kept that the Sheriff at every County Court did from time to time take the oaths of young persons as they grew to 14 years of age, whereby this view of the Sheriff's authority was called *View of Frank Pledge*."[1] From the Sheriff's Courts this custom passed to the Courts Leet, but as the population increased it became difficult to exercise it and it gradually fell into disuse.

An interesting historical account of the Court Leet and View of Frank Pledge is given in John Wilkinson's directions for keeping a Court Leet, &c., in the opening address, which the Steward is directed to deliver to the Jury.[2] After some preliminary remarks he proceeds as follows:—

> "And I must tell you that these Leets and Law dayes are very ancient Laws, and they were the first Laws that euer were vsed here in England, and they were ordained for two causes; the one was that the King might vnderstand by his steward vpon the view of such persons as appeared before him, how many able men there were within the precinct of euery Law-day [or Court Leet] to doe him seruice in his warres if need should require; for wee most vnderstand that at that time all Leets & Law-dayes were in the Kings hand, and at this day

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[1] Jacob's *Law Dictionary*.

[2] "A Treatise . . . . . concerning the Office . . . . . of Coroners and Sherifes together with an easie and plaine method for the keeping of a Court Leet, Court Baron and Hundred Court, &c. By John Wilkinson, of Bernards Inne, gent." London, 1638, p. 111b.

no man can keepe a Law-day, but either by the Kings speciall grant, or else by title of prescription, which first began by the Kings grant: And the other cause was for the administration of Justice to the Inhabitants within the precinct of euery Leet or Law day; for before the beginning of those Leets or Law-dayes, there was no Law vsed, no, nor no Justice ministred but all onely before the King himselfe, and wheresoeuer hee was, there was the Law vsed, and Justice ministred, and in no place else, and then by reason of the great number of suitors which resorted to the Court for Law and Justice, oftentimes sicknesses & diseases were brought thither, which did indanger the Kings person, and also by reason of the multitude of suits which were there depending, it was long ere matters could bee heard and determined, and very troublesome and chargeable to suitors to repaire so farre and stay so long for Justice; for remedy whereof, this Realme was then diuided into Counties, and so into Hundreds, Ridings, Lathes, Leets, and Wapentakes, which are all one in effect, though they differ in name according to the custome of euery Countrey. And there is no man liuing within this Realm, but he is resident and abiding within the precinct of some one of these, and there hee ought to appeare twice euery yeere, if hee bee not other wise priuiledged by his place or office, and if any wrong bee done vnto any man vnder the value of forty shillings, there hee ought to haue redresse, and not else-where. Then these Lawes were afterwards confirmed by the statute of Marlebridge [Marlborough] ca. 38, before the making of which statute, a Lord of a Leete or Law day might haue kept as many Leets or Law-dayes in a yeere as hee would, and as few. But by that statute men were limited and appointed to keepe but ij [2] euery yeere, videlicet, one within a moneth of Easter, and the other within a moneth of Michaelmas. And afterwards because men were of sundrie opinions, what things were inquirable at Leets or law-daies, and what were not, there was another statute law made in the seuenteenth yeere of E[dward] 2 by which it appeareth what things are inquirable at a Leete or Law-day, and what are not, and sithence that time there haue beene diuers other Statutes made, whereby diuers other articles are inquirable at Leets or Law-daies, which before the making of the statutes were not."

The Statute above referred to, which should be the 18th, not 17th, Edward II., 1325, shows "what things stewards in Leets shall inquire into." It is perhaps unnecessary to give them all here, but such as were more particularly made use of in the Manchester Court Leet may be noticed: (1) whether all the jurors who owe suit to this court be come; (7) of purprestures [or nuisances to the tenants] made in lands, woods, and waters; (8) of walls, houses, dikes, and hedges, set up or beaten down; (9) of bounds withdrawn and taken away; (10) of ways or paths opened or stopped; (11) of waters turned or stopped or brought from their right course; (12 to 16) of various kinds of thieves; (18) of bloodshed and of frays made; (23) of treasure found; (24) of the assize of bread and ale; (25) of false measures as of bushels, gallons, yards, and ells; (26) of false balances and weights; (28) of such as continually haunt taverns; (29) of such as sleep by day and watch by night, and eat and drink well and have nothing.[1]

Wilkinson specifies a number of crimes, such as petty treason, felonies, rape, embezzlement, witchcraft, rebellion, &c., which "are only to bee here inquired of and presented, but not here punished, but they are to bee punished by the Justices of the shire upon certificate made thereof by the Steward of a Leet or Law-day." The offences "which are both here to be inquired of, presented and punished," he arranges under a number of heads, of which those noticed in the following pages are as follows:—

Affrays and Bloodsheds.[2]
Stocks to be provided.[3]
Artillery [*i.e.*, the practice of archery] to be maintained, and Butts to be provided.[4]
Plays or games.[5]
Purprestures and Assarts.[6]
Bounds and Marks.[7]

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[1] For further details, see the *Statutes at Large*.

[2] "You shall therefore first inquire if any man within your inquirie haue broken the peace, or made any affray or bloodshed; if any haue offended herein, you must present him or them, and the manner of it, with what weapon, for that it is forfeit to the Lord of this Leet, and the offendor or offendors are to be fined for such offence."

[3] See p. 126 of these Records. [4] See p. 55. [5] See p. 50.

[6] "Next you shall inquire of Purprestures and Assarts, and that is where any Wall, Hedge, Ditch, or House is set, leuied or abated in the Kings high way, or any water course stopped or turned into the high way to hinder the passage of the Kings subiects, or any way annoy them."

[7] "Also you shall inquire whether any meare stones or stakes, bonds or markes, betweene this Lordship and any other, or betweene tenant and tenant hath bin remooved since the last law day, or before, and not set in the usuall place againe, if there be any which haue offended herein, you must present them."

Highways or Footsteps *(sic* for Footpaths) stopped up.[1]
Common Bridges broken.[2]
Sleepers by Day and Walkers by Night.[3]
Eavesdroppers.[4]
Forestallers, Regraters, and Ingrossers.[5]
Tanners.[6]

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[1] "Also if any high-wayes or foot-pathes to Church, Mill or Market bee stopped or hedged up, which haue beene accustomed to lye open, you must present him or them which shut it vp, for the Kings subiects must not bee stopped of his lawful passage to Church, mill or market."

[2] "Also if any common Bridges ouer Common Streams bee broken, that by reason thereof the Kings Subiects cannot passe about their affaires and businesses, you must present those which ought to make them, vpon a paine."

[3] "Also you shall inquire of Sleepers by day, and walkers by night, to steale and purloine other mens goods and Conies [rabbits] out of Warrens, Fish out of mens seuerall Ponds or Waters, Hennes from Henrouse [henroosts], or any other thing whatsoeuer, for they are ill members in a Common-wealth, and deserue punishment, therefore if you know any such present them."

[4] "Also you shall inquire of Eues-droppers and those that are such as by night stand or lye harkening under walles or windowes of other mens, to heare what is said in another mans house, to the end to set debate and dissention betweene neighbors, which is a very ill office, therefore if you know any such, present them." There is one reference to an "Eaves-dropper," or as he is called in the vernacular "an Easing-dropper," in these Records (see p. 155); he is further described as "a naughtie person, suche a one as dothe abounde in all mysorders."

[5] "Also you shall inquire of Forestaller[s], Regraters, and Ingrossers, euill members in a Common-wealth.

"*A Forestaller* is hee which buyeth or causeth to bee bought any victualls whatsoeuer going to any Faire or Market to bee sold, and maketh any bargaine for the buying thereof before the same bee brought into the Faire or Market, or doth make any motion for the inhancing of the price of any victuals, or doth mooue or perswade any person comming to the Faire or Market with victuals, to absent and forbeare his comming thither with any victuall to be sold there.

"*Regrator* is hee that getteth into his hands in any Faire or Market any Corne, Tallow, or Candles, or any dead victuall whatsoeuer, brought to any Faire or Market to bee sold and doth sell the same againe in any Faire or Market, within foure miles next adioyning thereunto.

"*An Ingrosser* is he or she that doth ingrosse and get into his or her hands, by buying or promise taken, other than by demise, grant, or lease, of bond or bill, of Corne growing in the Fields, or any other Corne, Graine, Butter, Cheese, Fish, or other dead victuall whatsoeuer to the intent to sell the same againe for profit.

"For the first offence they ought to haue two moneths imprisonment, without bayle or mainprise and forfeit the value of the goods bought and sold.

"For the second offence they ought to haue halfe a yeeres imprisonment & to forfeit double the value of the goods bought and sold.

"And for the third offence they ought to bee set vpon the Pillorie, and to lose all their goods and chattels, and bee imprisoned during the Kings pleasure."

[6] "Also you shall inquire of Tanners that haue vsed the occupation of a Cordwainer, or a Currier, or that hath put any Leather to sale, but red Leather as it came from the Tanne fatte, or that hath put any Hide or peece of Leather to sale, before it bee well dryed, marked, and sorted, and then sold in open market, or that hath tanned any sheepe skins."

Bakers. [1]
Brewers. [2]
Apparel. [3]
Drunkards. [4]
Waifs, Strays,[5] and Felon's Goods. [6]

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[1] "Also you shall inquire whether the bakers doe their duties or not, in making of good and wholesome bread for mans bodie, of sweet corne and not corrupted, and that they make their Bread in weight, according to the price of Wheat, in three markets next adioyning, not changing the assise of Bread, but by six pence in weight in increasing or abating, and if they doe the contrarie, and bee thereof duly conuicted, then for the first, second and third time they shall bee amerced after the quantitie of their fault, and shall lose from time to time their bread so found too light in weight, but if they shall bee found faultie herein the fourth time, then they must bee set vpon the pillorie in open market, whose punishment may not bee released for gold or siluer.

"Also a Baker must set his owne proper marke vpon euery loafe of bread that hee maketh and selleth, to the end that if any bread be faultie in weight, it may bee then knowne in whom the fault is."

[2] "Also you shall inquire of Brewers and Typlers, whether they make good and wholsome ale and beere for mans body or not and sell and vtter the same according to the lawes and statutes of this Realme. And also they ought not to put out their signe or ale-stake vntil their ale be asseyed by the ale-taster, and then to sell and not before."

[3] "And you shall inquire of such as exceede in apparrell contrary to the stat[ute], for no man except hee may dispend xx^{li} [£20] yeerely in lands for his life at the least, or is worth 200^{l} in goods ought to weare any silk on his hat, hose, shoes, girdle, scabberd, or spurleathers, vpon paine for euery dayes wearing of it x^{li} [£10] and three moneths imprisonment: and if any man know his seruant to offend herein, and doe not put him away, and not take him againe within a yeare after, doth forfeit C^{li} [£100] for euery such offence by the same stat[ute] & these persons onely are excepted out of the stat[ute] viz The Kings Councell, the Barons of the Exchequer, Judges of the Law, Seriants at Law, the K[ing's] Phisitions, Maiors and Recorders of cities and townes corporate and their wiues."

[4] "Also you shall inquire of Drunkards, for they ought to bee presented, and to pay if they bee able for euery time they bee drunke v^{s} [5s.] to the vse of the poore of the Parish where the offence is committed, if not able, then after conuiction thereof, they ought to sit six houres in the Stockes.

"Also an Alehouse-keeper ought to lose xx^{s} [20s] for euery pot they sell that is not a full quart, and x^{s} [10s.] for suffering any Townesman to sit drinking in their houses, except he be brought thither by a stranger, and then hee may not stay there aboue one houre.

"And Brewers by the same Law ought to loose for euery barrell of Beere or Ale 6s 8d which they lay into any mans seller to bee sold there by retaile by any that is not licenced to sell Ale or Beare."

[5] "Also you shall inquire of waifes, strayes and felons goods. Waifes are Cattell stolne and weiued out of the possession of him that stole them, and straies are Cattell straied out of their haunt, and they ought to bee seised vpon to the Lords vse, and to bee wreathed and put into an open place, and not in a couert, to the end the owner may haue the view of them, and they must be cryed at three market towns next adioyning to the place where they are straied and if they bee not challenged within a yeere and a day, then they belong to the Lord of the soile where they are, by the Law, otherwise not." (See p. 253.)

[6] No instance of felon's goods being seised occur in these Records.

Treasure Trove. [1]
Pains [or Penalties]. [2]
Presentments. [3]

These headings give a general outline of the various presentments which were made at the Court Leet of Manchester, as recorded in the subsequent pages.

THE COURT BARON, which, as already stated, was held at the same time and place as the Court Leet, was a court of a different character. At it all those that held their lands of the lord of the manor had to be present, and the Jury had to enquire whether any of the tenants had died since the last holding of the Court, and, if so, to report their names and to state who was the next heir, &c. Also, if any lands within the manor had changed hands, the name of the new tenant was to be stated in the Court, and he was required to do the "suit and service" due from his lands. As Wilkinson states. [4]

> "First you shal enquire whether all such persons as owe suit and service [5] to this court be here to doe the same or no: and if any make default, you must present their names."
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> "Also, you shall enquire if any Tenant bee dead [6] since the last Court or before, and his death as yet not presented, then you shall enquire what Land he held of the Lord of this Manor, and by what tenure or seruice he held the same, whether by

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[1] "Also you shall inquire of Treasure troues, either vpon the ground, or within the ground: for if any hath beene found within the iurisdiction of this Court, it belongs to the Lord of this Leet or Law day." An instance of "treasure trove" being claimed will be found on p. 171.

[2] "Also you shall inquire if the paines [penalties] laid at the last Leet or law day be performed or no, if not, then you must present them that haue made default and then those paines must bee read to the Jurie."

[3] "And to conclude, if there shall any other thing come to your knowledge meete to bee presented, and by any omitted to bee giuen in charge, you shall as well inquire thereof and present it as the rest."

[4] Page 143.

[5] By "suit" is meant the attendance at the lord's Court whenever it was held, and by "service" is understood the various obligations which the tenant bound himself to do for his lord. These services ranged from "Knight's service," the most honourable of all, which meant attendance in the wars for a certain time, down to such menial services as ploughing or carting.

[6] In these Records the tenant is euphemistically said "to have *departed* since the last Court."

Knights seruice,[1] Socage tenure,[2] or by Copie [of Court Roll][3] and what benefit or advantage is fallen to the Lord by his death, whether ward,[4] marriage,[4] reliefe,[4] escheat,[5] or anie other profit, and who is his next Heyre, and of what age hee is, and in whose custody hee is: For if any Tenant which holds by Knights service die, and his heire male [be] vnder the age of 21 yeeres, and not married, then the Lord shall haue the wardship & marriage of such heire male: but if it bee a female and vnder the age of 14 yeeres and not married then the Lord shall haue likewise the wardship and marriage of such heire female: and if the heire male be 21 yeeres at the death of his ancestor: or the heire female 14 yeeres, then the Lord shall haue onely a

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[1] By *Knight's Service* is meant attendance at the wars in the train of the lord. Lands were held by the service "of one knight's fee," or of "half a knight's fee," and so on. "And it is said that when the King makes a voyage royal into Scotland to subdue the Scots, then he, which holdeth by the service of one knight's fee, ought to be with the King forty days well and conveniently arrayed for the war. And he, which holdeth his land by the moiety of a knight's fee, ought to be with the King twenty days, and he which holdeth his land by the fourth part of a knight's fee ought to be with the King ten days, and so he that hath more, more, and he that hath less, less."—*(Littleton's Tenures.)*

[2] *Socage Tenure* is where a tenant holds his land by certain service for all manner of services, so that this service is not knight's service. Thus a man may hold his land of his lord by fealty and a certain rent, instead of any special service, or by homage, fealty and a rent, or by fealty only. Socage literally means "plough service," and originally each of the tenants so holding land had to come with their ploughs on certain days to plough and sow the lord's demesnes. "And afterwards these services were changed into money, by the consent of the tenants and by the desire of the lords viz into an annual rent &c. But yet the name of socage remaineth and in divers places the tenants yet do such services with their ploughs to their lords; so that all manner of tenures, which are not tenures by knight's service, are called tenures in socage."—*(Littleton's Tenures.)*

[3] Land held by "*copy of Court Roll*" is held at the will of the lord according to the ancient custom of the manor, and on the death of a tenant is surrendered in open Court into the hands of the lord, by whom it is regranted to the next heir on payment of certain fines, &c. These surrenders are all entered on the rolls of the Court, and the tenants have no other evidence concerning their land except the copies of these Court Rolls.

[4] Land held by Knight's service, as Littleton says, "draweth to it *ward, marriage, and relief.*" For when such a tenant died, and his heir male be under twenty-one years of age, the lord had the profit of the lands held by the tenant until the heir came of age. And if the heir was unmarried, he could dispose of him in marriage as he liked. If the next heir was a female under fourteen and unmarried, then the lord had both wardship and marriage until she attained the age of sixteen. If the heir was of full age, then he shall pay "relief" for his lands. This "*relief*" was simply a sum of money, or its equivalent in horses, cattle, &c., which the next heir, when of age, paid to his lord on entering into his lands.

[5] *Escheat* was where the tenant had died without heir, either general or special, in which case the land lapsed to the lord. In cases of disputes as to the next heir, the lord seised the land and held it until the rightful heir had proved his claim.

reliefe, which is, if they held by a whole Knights fee Cs. [100s.], if by the moitie of a Knights fee Ls. [50s.] and so as according to the rate of their tenure.

"Also if any Tenant which held by Socage tenure be dead, his heire being vnder the age of 14 yeeres, the Lord ought to haue the value of his land for one yeer for a reliefe, which is due immediately after the death of the Tenant: and the next of kin to the heire to whom the inheritance cannot descend, ought to have the wardship of such heire.

"Also if any customary Tenant or copiholder, hold two parcels of land by herriot seruice and by seuerall copies [of Court Roll], if such tenant dye thereof seised, the Lord ought to haue two herriots."[1]

Then follow some clauses as to copyhold lands, which do not apply to the manor of Manchester. The following, however, have special application to the entries in the following pages:—

"Also if any Tenant hath sold his land by deed, and hath not giuen notice thereof to the Lord, nor he which bought it hath not done his fealtie[2] to the Lord, or suit of court, so that

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[1] A *heriot* was the best beast, either horse, ox, or cow, which the tenant died possessed of, and this was payable by the heir on entering into the land. In some cases the best "good," was given instead of the best beast (see p. 253).

[2] "*Fealty*," says Littleton, "is the same that *fidelitas* [faithfulness] is in Latin. And when a freeholder doth fealty to his lord, he shall hold his right hand upon a book and shall say thus:—

'Know ye this my lord, that I shall be faithful and true unto you and faith to you shall bear for the lands which I claim to hold of you and that I shall lawfully do to you the customs and services which I ought to do, at the terms assigned, so help me God and his saints,'

and he shall kiss the book. But he shall not kneel when he maketh his fealty, nor shall make such humble reverence as in *homage*. There is great diversity between the doing of fealty and homage; for homage cannot be done to any but to the lord himself, but the steward of the lord's court, or bailiff, may take fealty for the lord. Also tenant for term of life shall do fealty, and yet he shall not do homage."—*(Littleton's Tenures.)*

As *homage* is so specially mentioned in the above extract, it may perhaps be of interest to explain what that was. Littleton says of it, "Homage is the most honourable service and most humble service of reverence that a frank tenant may do to his lord. For when the tenant shall make homage to his lord, he shall be ungirt and his head uncovered, and his lord shall sit and the tenant shall kneel before him on both his knees and hold his hands jointly together between the hands of his lord and shall say thus:—

'I become your man from this day forward, of life and limb and earthly worship and unto you shall be true and faithful, and bear to you faith for the tenements that I claim to hold of you, saving the faith that I owe unto our sovereign lord the King,'

and then the lord so sitting shall kiss him."

by reason thereof the Lord doth not know who is his tenant therefore you ought to present it: for it is very needfull and necessarie, that the lord should know who is his Tenant, by reason of his seruices and escheates which may grow due to him.

"Also if any Tenant hath inclosed any land which hath beene accustomed to lie open without the Lord's licence and the Freeholders, you must present it for he cannot justifie the doing thereof.

"Also you shall inquire whether there bee any rent, custome or seruice, behind and vnpayed to the Lord of this Manor, by whom it is due and what rent, custome or seruice it is, how long it hath been withholden, & where the land lyeth, that the Lord may distraine for the arrerages thereof.

"Also you shall inquire if any bailife or other officer of this Manor, hath made any arrest for any rent, custome or seruice, due to the Lord of this Manor, and rescouse [rescues][1] therein hath bin made, you ought then to present him or them which made the rescouse, and where and when it was done.

"Also if any tenant by reason of his tenure ought to grinde at the Lords Mill[2] if he doe it not, you must present him."

Such is a short summary of the presentments to be made at the Court Baron.

At the period to which the Records, printed in the following pages, relate, the latter half of the 16th century (1552 to 1586), a perusal of the entries there contained will show that the Manchester Court Leet exercised its authority in the following directions. It saw to all sanitary matters connected with the welfare of the town generally, and it prohibited all nuisances of a public and private character. All middens and dunghills were required to be fenced in, all privies were to be kept as clean as possible, and the water courses were to be left free and open. Swine were not permitted to go loose in the streets, and horses were not to be foddered there.

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[1] Rescues were presented. (See pp. 223, 250.)

[2] There are many references to the lord's mills, and that the tenants ought to have their corn ground there. (See pp. 30, 62, 186, 191.)

Various regulations for the inhabitants of the town (some of which read very quaintly to us at the present time)[1] were ordered and enforced. The provisions of various Acts of Parliament, such as those dealing with gaming, &c., in public-houses, with the wearing of caps in the streets, with the practice of archery, &c., &c., were duly seen to, and disputes between tenants were settled. Care was also taken to prevent idle and dissolute persons settling in the town or being taken in as "inmates" or lodgers.[2] The general well-being and cleanliness of the town were seen to by the appointment, at every Michaelmas Court, of a large number of "officers," whose duties, if not shown by the titles they bore, will be found explained in the notes on pages 1 to 4, &c. (see Index). Of these the "Boroughreeve," or chief officer of the town, comes first, with the "Catchpoll" or bailiff, his deputy, followed by the two "Constables," who had to see to the good order of the town.[3] After them come the "Myselayers" and "Myse-gatherers," those who levied the local rates and collected them, and the "Market lookers" for "Corn," for "fish and flesh," and for "white meat." The latter were appointed for the town generally, or more frequently two persons were selected for such special localities as the Market-stead Lane, the Millgate, Deansgate, Hunt's Bank, Withy Grove, &c., and other centres of population. "Birlamen," or local officers for the same localities, were appointed, who had to see to the carrying out of the by-laws of the town within their respective districts,[4] and two "Scavengers" were appointed to see that the Market-stead Lane, Deansgate, the Booths to the Smithy Door and to the Bridge, and from Fennel Street to the School House, the Market stead or place, St. Mary's Gate, the Milnegate, the Hanging Ditch, and Millgate were kept clean. There were also the officers for wholesome bread, the ale-tasters, the officers for fruits, and the swineherd. The "Affeerors" of the Court and the "Praysers" (see pp. 2 & 4) complete the list. In many of the Courts the names of some sixty or seventy individuals will be found, and the

[1] Such as prohibiting more than 4d. from being spent by each person at wedding dinners or feasts (see pp. 84, 94, &c.; see also Index); prohibiting butter being put into short cakes, &c. (see pp. 69, 72, &c.).

[2] See pp. 197, 226, &c.; see also Index.

[3] A list of the Boroughreeves and Constables, from 1552 to 1586, will be found in Appendix I. (See pp. 267-269.)

[4] Such as preventing swine straying in the streets, clay being dug up, &c.

time taken up in appointing them and swearing them all in must have been considerable. There was also the swearing in of the "Inquest" or Jury, appointed by the Steward, before whom the proceedings of the Court were taken. Mixed up with the business of the Court Leet proper are the entries relating to the Court Baron, the names of those tenants who had "departed" or died, and the names of their heirs and successors, and the appearance of the new tenants to do "suit and service," to pay their "heriots" or "relief," and to do their "fealty" to the lord of the manor. If lands within the manor had changed hands, the names of the new owners are given and their attendance was enforced. The Court opened at nine o'clock in the morning (see p. 204), and it is probable there was a dinner in the afternoon or supper in the evening, at which the Jury and chief officers would be present, presided over by the Steward or Deputy Steward.

When these Records commence, 4th October, 6 Edward VI., 1552, the lord of the manor of Manchester was SIR THOMAS WEST, KNT., *ninth* BARON DE LA WARRE. He was then about fifty-six years of age, and had married Elizabeth, daughter and co-heir of Sir John Bonville, Knt., but by whom he had no issue. He was the only son of his father, Sir Thomas West, Knt., the eighth Baron de la Warre, who died in 1525, by his first wife, but by his second wife the latter had had three other sons, Sir Owen West, Knt., Sir George West, Knt., and Sir Leonard West, Knt. By deed dated 1543, Sir Thomas West settled his manor of Manchester upon himself for life, then to his heirs male, with successive remainders to his three half-brothers and their heirs male, in tail male, and this deed of settlement was confirmed by a special Act of Parliament passed in 1552. Sir Thomas West outlived his eldest half-brother, Sir Owen West, who died in 1551, leaving two daughters, coheiresses, and also his second half-brother, Sir George West, who had died in 1538, leaving male issue. Consequently, Sir Thomas West, on his death, 25th September, 1554, would have been succeeded by his nephew, *William West* (the eldest son of Sir George West), had not the latter been prevented from so doing by an Act of Parliament, passed in 1549, for having attempted to poison Sir Thomas West, his half-uncle. He was knighted at Hampton Court in 1568, and by patent dated 5th February, 1570, SIR WILLIAM WEST, KNT., was created BARON

DE LA WARRE, *alias* DELAWARE. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Strange, of Chesterton, co. Gloucester, Esq., by whom he had a son and heir, *Thomas West*, and other issue. By deed dated 15th May, 1579, he, together with his son and heir, Thomas West, mortgaged his manor of Manchester to John Lacy, citizen and clothworker of London, for £3,000, and failing to redeem the mortgage, that manor passed to John Lacy, and was settled on him by a fine levied and a recovery suffered, 7th August, 1581 (see p. 225). It is curious to note that in these Records the only Courts in which Sir William West's name appears as lord of the manor were those held 7th April and 5th October, 1580, with the exception of one Court, held 18th April, 1566 (which was not entered by the usual scribe), which is simply called "the Court of the Lord La Warre."

The Lord La Warre was represented at Manchester by his STEWARD, who presided at the Court Leet. Of these, the first whose name occurs in these Records was the celebrated *Edward, Earl of Derby*, the third of that name, who appears in that capacity from September 1556 till his death, 24th October, 1572 (see p. 154 note). He was succeeded by *Randle Hurlestone*, Esq., who held that office from March 1573 to 1582, when he was succeeded by *Richard Swinglehirst*, gent., who acted for John Lacy, the then lord of the manor. During the latter part of the Earl of Derby's stewardship, *John Gregory* was his Deputy, and is occasionally named in these Records. Three clerks of the Court are named, *Peter Eckersall*, in 1555 (see p. 19), *John Glover* (see p. 170), and *Robert Leigh* (see p. 169). From the deed dated 15th May, 1579, it appears that Randle Hurlestone, Esq., the then Steward, received £10 per annum for his services; that Robert Worsley, Esq., the Receiver of the fees and fines due to the lord of the manor received £6 13s. 4d. per annum; and that John Ward, gent., Feodary, received £4 per annum. It may perhaps here be mentioned that from a deed now in the possession of the Corporation, dated 11th May, 2 Edward IV., 1462, *Sir John Trafford, Knt.*, was created Steward of the manor and lordship of Manchester by Sir Richard West, Knt., Lord La Warre, the then lord of the manor, for the term of his life, "takyng for his fee in and for the same office Cs. [100s.] by the yere."

Before bringing this Introduction to a close, I may perhaps be permitted to refer to a question which is not unlikely to be raised, and that is, what is to be gained by the publication of these Records in full? And, fortunately, the answer is not difficult to find. Whilst the antiquarian tastes of the present age are becoming year by year stronger and more pronounced, there is at the same time a widespread feeling that as far as possible all the old historical records of the kingdom should be committed to print, with a view, not only of permanently preserving them, but also of making them accessible to all. What Parliament is doing for the nation at large, so each separate community is gradually learning to do for itself. In this respect the Corporation of Manchester is setting a most laudable example to its neighbours, and to the country generally, in thus placing on permanent record the most ancient and important documents which it possesses. The contents of the following pages illustrate the past history of Manchester in very many different ways. From them we get a glimpse of what the Manchester of 300 years ago was like, and of those who then directed its affairs and laid the foundation of its present greatness. To the genealogist these Records are most valuable, as they contain information as to family history which may be sought for in vain elsewhere, and which, taken in connection with other documents, such as wills, deeds, parish registers, &c., serve to place the history of the older Manchester families on a sure basis. To the student of old customs and of language and dialect these pages also offer many interesting particulars. And whilst it is obvious that by printing them in full much very trivial matter has had to be included, yet those who may consult these pages will now feel that they know exactly what the original MS. contains, and that this printed volume is an exact reproduction of the manuscript one.

In editing these pages my object has been in the first instance to be most careful that they are an *exact* reproduction, word for word, of the original; secondly, to explain whatever was at all obscure in the text; and thirdly, to identify, as far as possible, all the more important personages whose names occur, and to supply, in a concise manner, such particulars of their family and personal history as could be ascertained. For this purpose a large number of original documents have been consulted, including family papers, deeds, wills, &c.,

and I am much indebted to those who have kindly placed such documents at my disposal. It is the intention of the Corporation to proceed with the printing of the subsequent Court Leet Records in volumes, as far as possible, uniform with this one, so that in the course of a few years an amount of original information will be placed on permanent record, which cannot fail to be of the highest possible value to all who take any interest, however slight, in the past history of Manchester.

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As many persons may refer to this book who are, perhaps, not very familiar with the old forms of writing and spelling, &c., the following notes are offered for their assistance.

1. These pages being an exact reproduction in print of the original MS. volume (each line of print having been compared word for word with the original), all the curious and in many cases phonetic spellings of the original will here be found. The use or disuse of capital letters was at the date of these Records most arbitrary, and the same word will be found spelt in three or four different ways on the same page.

2. All words or sentences between square brackets [ ] *have been inserted by the Editor, either as elucidatory of the text or supplying an occasional missing word, &c.*

3. The most frequent contractions are p *or* p *for* per, pre, *or* pro; *thus,* p̲son *for* person, p̲sent *for* present, p̲ceed *for* proceed, *&c.;* ꝛ *stands for* ser, *thus,* ꝛvice *for* service, ꝛvant *for* servant; u *is used for* v, *thus,* haue *for* have, euery *for* every, Glouer *for* Glover, ꝛuice *for* service. *Words are often joined together, thus,* anorder *for* an order, shalbe *for* shall be, thenheritance *for* the inheritance, *&c.*

4. The use of Roman numerals was almost invariable. Thus, j, ij, iij, iiij *or* iv, v, vj, vij, viij, ix, x, xj, xij, xiij, *and so on, are used for* 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, *&c. Thus,* iij^{s} iiij^{d} *stands for* 3s. 4d., vj^{s} viij^{d} *for* 6s. 8d., *and so on.*

5. The headings of most of the Courts being in Latin, a translation of two or three of them as illustrative of the rest will be found on pp. 13, 210.

6. When an order was carried out, factum est *or* fact. est (it is done) *was written in the margin. These words have been printed in italics.*

7. The duties of the various officers appointed at the Michaelmas Courts will be found explained in the notes on pp. 1 *to* 4. *Refer also to the Index.*

The Courte Boke of Mamchest[er].

The Courte Boke made the iiij[th] daye of October in the Sexte yere of kynge EdWarde the Sexte [4th Oct., 1552].[1]

The Courte ther Holden the iiij[te] Daye of October In the Sexte yere of the Reigne of o[r] Soũayne lorde Edwarde the Sexte.

Inqũ Capt̃ p Sacr[m]	Richardus[2] Shalcros		Edwardꝯ Jannye
[The inquest or inquiry taken by the oath of]	Ricus Hunt		ffranciscus pendilton
	Willm Radclyff		Johes Gee
	Robtus Marler		Raḋus pedley
	Johes Platte		Georgius prowdluff
	Robtꝯ Becke		Thomas Syll
	Thomas Jacson		Ricus Blomeley
	Ricus Awen		Ricus Brownswoth
	Robtꝯ Oldom̃		Willm Ravalde

Þposit burgei[3] ... ... Robtꝯ Becke

Catche polle[4] ... ... Raḋus Byllynge

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[1] The lord of the manor of Manchester at this time was Sir Thomas West, Knt., 9th Lord de la Warre, who died without issue 25th September, 1554, when his estates passed to Sir William West, Knt., his nephew by the half blood. (See Introduction.) The Steward, who presided at these Courts Leet and before whom they were held, was most probably Edward, Earl of Derby, the third of that name, whose name appears in these Records as Steward in 1556.

[2] These names should, of course, be in the genitive case.

[3] *Prepositus burgi*, the Boroughreeve, the chief officer of the town. At a later period he presided at all public meetings of the inhabitants, &c. The Boroughreeve was annually elected till 1845, when, the town being incorporated, the title was merged in that of Mayor.

[4] The Catchpole or bailiff of the Court. He was regularly appointed at each Court immediately after the Boroughreeve and before the Constables.

Constabular[1] [Constables]	ffranc̄ pendilton Richarde Shalcros
Markete lokers for Corne	Robte Rawlynson Edwarde Ryddith[2] Jamys Wylde Milez gylforde
Markete lokers for fysshe & flesshe	Robt Dale Robarte Whernebye
Preysers ... ... [Appraisers][3]	John Backester Edmūde blomeley weybster
[torn]	[Rau]ff pedley [Tho]mas Jacson
[torn]	[A]dam holande Rog̃ Bexweke
Selars of leyther[4]	Edmūde garnete George Chorleton
Markete lokers for white meytte[5] ...	George Thorppe Ric fletcher Rog̃ Adamson Willm Berstons Charlez Baguley

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[1] The Constables had to attend to the peace and good order of the town, as is more fully stated in the words of the oath which each Constable was required to take at the time of his election:

"You shall swear, That you will well and truly serve the Queen, and the Lord of this Law-day [or Court], and you shall endeavour that the Peace of our Sovereign the Queen, well and truly according to your power, be kept; and you shall arrest all which you see making Riots, Debates, or Frayes, or breaking the Peace; and you shall well and truly endeavour yourselves according to your knowledg, that the Statute of *Winton* [or Winchester] for Watch, Hue-and-Cry; and the Statutes made for the punishment of sturdy Beggars, vagabonds, Rogues, and other idle persons coming within your office, that the Offenders be punished; and you shall endeavour your selves upon complaint to you, to apprehend Barretors and Riotous persons, making Frayes, and also apprehend Felons, and if any of them make resistance with force and multitude of offenders, you shall make Out-cry, and pursue them till they are taken, and you shall look to such persons as use unlawful Games, and you shall have regard to the maintenance of Artillery [*i.e.*, the practice of Archery]; and you shall well and duly execute all Process and Warrants sent unto you from the Justices of the Peace of the County; and you shall make good and faithful Presentment of all Blood-sheds, Out-cryes, Affrayes, and Rescues made within your Office; and you shall well and duly, according to your power and knowledg, do that which belongs to the Office of a Constable to do for this year to come. So help you God."—(Kitchen's *Court Leet.*)

[2] Reddich, or Reddish.

[3] The "appraisers" were those who had to appraise or value various kinds of goods.

[4] Sealers of leather, those that had to see that the skins when properly dressed were duly stamped, without which it was not lawful to use them.

[5] White meat, *i.e.*, veal, pork, lamb, &c.

Alefounders[1]	Nicholas Sheparde Edwarde Chorleton
Byrlamen for the market stede lane[2]	Gefferey gregory Hugh bourdemà
Byrlamen for the deynsgate ...	John Deconson Robt hylle
Byrlamen for the mylne gate wethynge greue hengynge dyche fenell strete & so to Irkes brydge[3]	Robt Masson henry beymonte Jamys barlowe Otuell[4] Johnson
Officers for makynge Cleane the markete plase	petur Bate Nicholas hyl

[1] Ale-founders or ale-tasters, frequently called "ale-conners," were the officers appointed at every Court Leet to see that the ale sold in the town was of the proper quality and also that it was sold at the prices fixed by Act of Parliament. They also had to see that all the bread sold in the town was duly weighed and sold according to the prices fixed by Act of Parliament. The oath they were required to take was as follows:

> "You shall swear, That you shall well and truly serve our Sovereign the Queen, and the Lord of this Court, in the Office of Ale-taster, or assise, within this Lordship for this year to come, and you shall well and duly see from time to time, that the Sale of Bread (brought to be sold) be duly weighed, and that it contain such weight according to the prizes [prices] of Grain, as by the Statute is provided; that is to say, according to the prizes of Corn in the next markets. Also you shall have diligent regard during the time of your office, to all the Brewers and Tiplers within your office, that they and every of them make good and wholesome Ale and Beer for mans body, and that they do not sell any before it hath been tasted by you, and then to be sold according to the Prices limited, and rated by the Justices of the Peace; and all defaults committed, and to be done by the Bakers, Brewers, and Tiplers, or by any of them; you shall present at the Court here, by which punishment may be administred unto them for their offences; and in every other thing you shall well and truly behave your self in your office for this year. So help you God &c."—(Kitchen's *Court Leet.*)

[2] "Byrlamen," "birlamen," or "by lawmen," as the word is variously written, were persons appointed at each Court Leet to overlook certain streets in the town and to see that the bye-laws of the town were duly enforced in them. They are "presented" from time to time in these Records for allowing swine to be in the streets and for other minor offences, which did not come within the authority of the Constables. In country places the duties of the "burleymen," as they are often called, had in later times become that of assessing damage to crops, &c., from horses, cattle, &c., straying and the like. The origin of the word is very doubtful, the most propable suggestion being from "by," a borough, "by-law," the laws of a borough, and "by-law-men," those who have to enforce them. Skene in 1597 writes "Byr laws or laws of Burlaw are laws made by husbandmen or townships concerning neighbourhood to be kept among themselves." —(*De Verborum Significatione.*)

[3] The places here mentioned are Milnegate or Old Millgate, Wething greve now Withy Grove, Hanging Ditch, Fennel Street, and the bridge over the Irk.

[4] Or Ottiwell, a not very uncommon Christian name at this period.

Skevengrs[1] for the market stede lane	John Gee Ric̄ Brownsworth
Skevengers for the deyngate & saynte marye gate	Robt Sorocolde Willm Shalcros Edmūde Blomeley Alexandr Werall
Skevengers for the olde markete stede	Willm Radclyff Stephan Beche[2] Rauff Browne
Skevengr for the smethe durr ...	Richarde Hunt John Trayvez
Skevengers for the hengynge dyche & meyle gate	Richarde Blomeley lancelete [Blank in original] Nicholas Sedall
Skevengers for the feynell strete ...	Robt Cleyden Hugh Thorppe
Skevengers for the mylne gate & hunts banke[3]	laurence langley George prowdluff Vane garleke
Afferatorc̄[4]	Richarde Hunt Thomas Jacson Robt Marler Thomas Syll Robt oldom̄

The Jure dothe prsente that laurence langley hathe in crowxede [encroached] apon the kyngs heghe weye [king's highway] wt buyldynge of a housse.

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[1] Scavengers.—It must not be supposed that these are the names of the men who themselves kept the town clean, but rather of those persons, probably residing in or near the various localities mentioned, who were responsible for seeing that they were kept in order.

[2] Or Becke, the name of an old Manchester family. (See *postea.*)

[3] The places mentioned here are the Marketsted Lane now Market Street, Deansgate and St. Mary's Gate, the Smithy Door, Hanging Ditch, Old Millgate, Fennel Street, Long Millgate, and Hunt's Bank.

[4] *Afferatores*, or "affeerers," persons generally of some position in the town, who were appointed to "well and truly tax assess and affier all the amerciaments presented at this Court, and in doing of that you shall not spare any for love, fear nor affection, nor raise or inhaunce any more grievous[ly] than shall be reasonable according to their deserts made; and not more nor less nor for envy nor for love assess or affier but upon every one severally, according to the quality of their offences made and not otherwise." It was chiefly in the case of amercements, in which there was no definite penalty authorised by the Statute, that the duties of the "affeerors" came into force. They served to prevent too high fines or amercements being made by any Steward or other officer of the Court.

The Jur̄ dothe order that the said laurence langley shall not hereafter dyche pale or heydge any further their onelyse [unless] he haue lycens of the xij [12] men or ellis at his Jouperdye [jeopardy].

The Jur̄ dothe order that Thomas Jacson shall make a Pale or a walle of Stone for a defence that his dunge hyll shall not stoppe the course of water in the dyche betwixte the said Thomas & Richarde Hunt & ffrancę pendilton & the pale or walle to be v fote he'ghe [5 feet high] & the same to be done afore the feaste of philippe & Jamys [May 1] nexte cōmynge sb̄ pena vj^{s} viij^{d} [*sub pena* 6s. 8d.]

The Jur̄ dothe order that Thomas Whodhede shall frome tyme to tyme kepe a barell vnder his p'vey [privy] and to make hit cleyne & so to kepe hit & the same to be done afore the feaste of the byrthe of o^{r} lorde god [Dec. 25] nexte cōmynge apon peyne [upon pain] of iij^{s} iiij^{d} [3s. 4d.]

The Jur̄ dothe order that Hugh grene Richarde Chorton Rauff Rodley Henry Rodley shall kepe their p'ves [privies] cleyne wyth barells vnder and so to kepe theym frome tyme to tyme & the same to be done afore the feaste of the byrthe of owre lorde god [Dec. 25] nexte ensuyng apon peyne [upon pain] of every one so offendynge ... ... iij^{s} iiij^{d} [3s. 4d.]

The Jur̄ dothe order that the wife of John werall and Elisabeth haryngton shall cutte done the p'vey [privy] even w^{t} the swynecotte [swinecote] & the same to be done afore the purificacōn of o^{r} ladye nexte [Feb. 2] cōmynge sb̄ pena ... ... ij^{s} [2s.]

And also Reyre [rear or set up] the flaggs in the gutter at the housse ende nowe in the holdynge of Jamys Whytworth & to make the gutter sufficient afore the same feaste sb̄ pena... ... ij^{s} [2s.]

The Jur̄ dothe order that Jamys Whytworth shall cutte the lawer [lower] ende of his palle [pale or paling] iiij ynche [4 inches] afore the feaste of saynte andrew [Nov. 30] nexte cōmynge sb̄ pena ... ... xij^{d} [12d.]

The Jur̄ dothe order that the course of water that cōmyth betwixte the housez of Richarde Awen & the berne [brook] moste goo the same weye as hit hathe bene orderede afore that is thrughe by thende of the berne & the same to be done afore the feaste of Saynte Andrew [Nov. 30] nexte cōmynge sb̄ pena xx^{d} [20d.]

The Jur̄ dothe order that Thomas Hasselū [Hasselum or Haslom] shall sklansse [cleanse] his dyche anends [adjoining] his felds ende in the towdlane lawne[1] afore the feaste of all sancts [Nov. 1] nexte cōmynge sb̄ pena ... ... vj^{d} [6d.]

The Jur̄ dothe order that laurence langley shall dyche the dyche anends his feldes ende in newton lane afore the feaste of the byrthe of o^{r} lorde god [Dec. 25] nexte cōmynge sb̄ pena xx^{d} [20d.]

The Jur̄ dothe order that Antonye Sheparde shall dyche his dyche at his felds ende in newton lane afore the same feaste sb̄ pena ... ... xx^{d} [20d.]

The Jur̄ dothe order that no p̄son nor p̄sons [person or persons] hereafter shall suffer ther gesse or dukes [geese or ducks] to be pytte [put] in the ma'kete stede apon peyne of every one so offyndynge for every gosse & ducke ... ... j^{d} [1d.]

The Jur̄ dothe order that Thomas Cropper shall cause his tenants or do hit hym selffe to make cleyne the strete ende of the saynte marye gatte [St. Mary gate] frome weke to weke vppon peyne of every tyme so offendynge ... ... vj^{d} [6d.]

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[1] That is "the Toadlane lane." It has been originally written "Newton lawne," and then Newton has been scratched out and "Towdlane" written over it.

[The Court held — October, 1553.[1]]

merket stede lane Skevengers ...	John Gee Ryc. Bronsworth
for y^e^ Deinsgate	John postles Raynad Bybbe
Saynct mary gate	Alexand^r^ Wyrrall
for the old m^r^ke sted	gyles p'tyngton [Partington] Rob^r^t Becke
for y^e^ fenel strete	Willm Wyrrall
for y^e^ smythydoure	Henry Haughton
from Hunts Bancke to Bacst^r^ house [Baxter's house]	John pendletō [Pendleton] John bradsha [Bradshaw]
Hangynge Dytche & mele gate ...	Rob^r^t m^r^ler [Marler] nyc. sydall [Nicholas Sydall]
for the mylne gate	Thomas yong Ryc massye

The Jurye doth ord^r^ y^t^ [that] Jamys chetam shall buyld his house at the ende of the churche w^t^out y^e^ wall & Joyne his house to the house of Raphe Byrche dep̄ted [departed or dead] & Jamys chetam aforesaid shall vppon [his] p̄p̄ [proper] costs vphold a Wongh or Wall betwene y^e^ Hous̄e & defend the hous̄e of y^e^ said Raphe as well aboue as Benyth & y^t^ [that] the heyrs executors or assygns of Raphe Byrche dep̄ted [shall] at theyre pleasure take downe [the] Wongh & the Wongh or Wall of y^e^ said Jamys [chetam] to serve for Both.

The Jurye doth saye y^t^ [that] Edwarde Janney[2] is dep̄ted

[1] A leaf is missing here, and these entries relate to another Michaelmas Court Leet, probably that held in October, 1553. The date of the Court, and the names of the Jury, Boroughreeve, Constables, and other officers would be entered on the missing leaf.

[2] Edward Janney, of Manchester, "merchaunt," made his will 22nd July, 1553, bequeathing his soul to "allmyghtie God, o^r^ [our] Lady Saynt Marye and all the blessed company of heaven," and desiring to be buried in the parish church of Manchester. Amongst his possessions in Manchester the tavern at the Smithy Door is mentioned, and he desired that out of the rent a certain sum should be paid to the churchwardens of Manchester for the time being to be bestowed on the reparation of the Conduit there. "And yf there be not way taken that the sayd condut may be suffered and mayntayned there for the comen welthe of the sayd towne I wyll that the sayd churche wardens do bestowe and gyff the same yerely for ev [ever] to the most pore and nedy people of the towne of Manchester forsayd." This is one of the earliest references to the Conduit so frequently referred to in these Court Leet Records. For other details of the will of this "liberal and benevolent Manchester merchant," see *Lanc. & Ches. Wills*, printed by the Chetham Society, vol. i, pp. 157–162. He had no issue, but left all his houses, &c., to his wife for her life, and then to Henry Allen.

[departed or dead] syns the last courte & his heyre is not yet knowen.[1]

The Jurye doth ord^{r} y^{t} [that] Thomas Hyde shall not make his Donge Hill in the toudlane [Toadlane] & y^{t} [that] he shall take away y^{t} y^{t} [that that] is there leade [laid] afore the feast of east [Easter] next sub pena x^{s} [10s.].....*mecerecordia.*[2]

The Jurye doth ord^{r} y^{t} Edmund p^{r}stwyche esquy^{r} [Edmund Prestwich, Esq.][3] shall take downe a yate [gate] betwene y^{e} towne of manchest^{r} & the [water] of medlocke nere vnto Holms mylle afore the feaste of sayncte m^{r}tin in Wynt^{r} [Saint Martin in Winter, Nov. 11] sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d} [3s. 4d.]

Itm y^{t} Rob^{r}t Dryhurst [this crossed out].

Afferatores huius curie
[Affeerors of this Court][4]

Ridus[5] shalcrosse
Ridus Hunt
Ridus Brownesworth
Radus pedley

Itm Amerye y^{e} late Wyfe [*i.e.* widow] of henrye Johnsun came Into y^{e} courte & acknowleged to hold of y^{e} lord & dyd her fealtye.[6]

Itm y^{t} John harte is the son & heyre of humfray hart depted [departed or dead] & came into the courte & did his fealtye & payd hys Releyf [relief][6] & haryot [heriot][6] accordyng to the custome.

Itm Rob^{r}t Holme his [*sic* for is] son & heyre of stephan holme[7] depted & he came into the courte & dyd his fealtye.

Itm y^{t} Rob^{r}t Dryhurst of chest^{r} his [*sic* for is] heyre vnto [Blank in original] & came into the courte and dyd his fealtye.

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[1] This is the first of a long series of entries in these Court Leet Records which relate to the deaths of those persons who held their lands, &c., from the lord of the manor of Manchester, and whose heirs consequently owed suit and service at these Courts. (See Introduction.) These entries are of very great value from a genealogical point of view, as the Manchester Registers do not begin till August, 1573, and these commence twenty years earlier.

[2] That is to say that he had not done as the Court had ordered, and so was at the mercy (*misericordia*) of the lord of the manor or his steward to the extent of ten shillings. The word *mecerecordia* is written in different ink to the rest of the entries.

[3] Edmund Prestwich, of Hulme, Esq., was the second son of Ralph Prestwich, of Hulme, by Agnes his wife, daughter of Sir Robert Langley, of Agecroft, Knt. He married Isabel, daughter of Thomas Rigmaiden, of Wedacar, co. Lanc., and died about 1578. (See *postea.*)

[4] See p. 4. [5] *Ridus* sic for *Ricardus*, Richard.

[6] For the meaning of these terms, "fealty," "relief," "heriot," see Introduction.

[7] Stephen Holme or *Hulme*, of Manchester, the descendant of a family long seated in the town, married Alice, daughter and co-heir of Robert Laborer, of Manchester, by whom he had issue.

The courte holden the xxix^tb daye of marche

in the fyrst yere of y^e Raygn of our soueraygne ladye quene marye [29th March, 1554].

Inq^isitio capt̃ p̄ sacr(m) [The inquest taken by the oath of]

laurentij langley
Ric̃i[1] Shalcrosse
Willi radclyffe
Radi pedley
franc̃ pendleton
georgij proudloffe
thome Jacsun
Rob^rti marler
Rob^rti oldam
Ric̃i[1] Awen
Willmi Ravald
nicholai sedall
Ric̃i[1] Blomeley
thome syll
Johis Harte

The Jurye doth p^rsent [present] y^t [that] Thomas hyde bycause he hath not taken away his dongge hill as it was ordered by the Jurye sub pena x^s [10s.]

It[em] the Jurye doth ord^r y^t [that] Edm̄nd p^rstw̃ Esquier [Edmund Prestwich, Esq.][2] shall take [down] a yate [gate] Betwene the wat^r [water or river] of medlelocke & the towne of ma[nchester] afore the natyuitye of saynct John baptyst [June 24] sub pena iij^s iiij^d [3s. 4d.].....*factum.*

It[em] the Jurye doth p^rsent george byram son of Adam byram[3] burgesse for a p̄cell of a certayne ten̄t̄ [tenement] & a gardeyn boughte of adam holland by [a] dede in fee beringe date the x^th of marche [10th of March] [Anno] Regni Regine marie p^rimo [1553-4].

[Item] the Jurye doth p^rsent y^t Willm Hardey is heyre [to Richard] [Sh]alcrosse[4] of [a] certayne burgage in manchest^r w^ch the said Ric̃ shalcross boughte of Ryc galey as ap̄yth [appeareth] by [a] dede in fee [beringe date] the vj^th [6th] of Aug̃ A° primo Regine marie prime [1553].

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[1] *Sic* for *Rici, Ricardi*, Richard.

[2] Edmund Prestwich, Esq., see p. 8.

[3] Adam *Byrom*, of Salford, son and heir of Ralph Byrom, of Salford, descended from the old Lancashire family of Byrom, of Byrom, married . . daughter of . . Hunt of Manchester. He died 25th July, 1558, and his will, dated 3rd May, 1556, has been printed by the Chetham Society (*Lanc. & Ches. Wills*, i., 44). George Byrom, his son and heir, married a daughter of Otes Holland, of New Hall, in Pendleton, and had issue.

[4] Richard Shalcross, see *postea*, p. 15.

It. the Jurye doth p[r]sent Rob[r]t sho [Shaw][1] & george proudloffe burgesses [as owners] of xx [20] acres & the thyrd pt [part] of an acre. And y[t] [that] they must paye for relyeffe of eu̅ye acre xij[d] [12d.] [the same having been bought] by dede in fee beringe date xiiij[th] [14th] daye of Octobre A° Regni Regine marie primo [1553].

It. the Jurye doth p[r]sent y[t] [that] John platt[2] is dead synce the last courte & y[t] Ric̅ platt is his son & heyre & at laufull age.

It. the Jurye doth p[r]sent y[t] Ric̅ sydall [is] burgesse for a certayne pcell of a burgage bought of Adam holland by dede in fee beringe date the xxviij[th] [28th] of marche in vij[th] [7th] yere of the Raygne of the late kynge Edward y[e] vj[th] [6th] [1553].

It. [the Jurye] Doth ord[r] y[t] Rob[r]t holme shall cause the Donge hill [lying]e betwyxe the house of John Reddyche & Wiłłm Wirrall [to] be kept w[t]in the cyrcuyte [circuit] or bounds of theyre ij [2] houss [and] y[t] it come no nerre to the strete then those houss [are] sett & y[t] it be so kept from tyme to tyme & thus to [be] done betwyxe this & Whitt son weeke next sub pena for eu̅y [every] tyme offendyng the cont[a]ry iij[s] iiij[d] [3s. 4d.]

It. the Jurye doth ord[r] y[t] Edward bybbye shall make his p[r]vye [privy] as shall be nothinge hurtfull for Rob[r]t becke & so to be kept from tyme to tyme sub pena ij[s] [2s.]

And in lyke man̅ [manner] Rob[r]t becke shall dyche & [scour] a dyche Joyninge to the said Edward bybbye [his] gardeyn y[t] y[e] Wat[r] may have concourse & [so to be] kept from tyme to tyme sub pena ij[s] [2s.]

It. the Jurye doth ord[r] y[t] Rob[r]t Dale shall make cleane the gutt[r] betwyxe Raphe pedley & the said Rob[r]t & so kepe [it] & also y[t] Raphe pedley & Edmund blomeley shall make cleane the gutt[r] betwixe theym & so kepe it & pale it to the strete & make it decent sub pe[na] ij[s] [2s.].....*factum.*

It. the Jurye doth ord[r] y[t] george proudloffe shall haue a waye thorough [the] low[r] ende of a clouse [close or field] of thomas haslums thoro[ugh] a dyche of the said georgs into a clawse [close] of the said georgs payinge therefore yerely to the said thomas a dosin of poynts[3] or j[d] [1d.] yerely duringe theyre ij lyffs [2 lives] at the byrth of our lord [Dec. 25] & this our ord[r] shall not be p[r]judiciall [prejudicial] to neyth[r] of theyre inherytancs.....*fact est.*

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[1] In 1555 Robert Shaw is described as of North Meols, co. Lanc., yeoman, and George Proudlove as of Manchester.

[2] John Platt was of Platt, in Rusholme, near Manchester, the representative of a family long seated there.

[3] "A dozen of poynts," *i.e.*, a dozen laces.

It. the Jurye doth ord^{r} y^{t} Jams chetam shall make cleane all suche placs in the churche yard & anenst bacstars dore [Baxter's door] & the way betwyxt his house & hollingworth shoppe betwyxt this & the xijth [12th] of apryll sub pena v^{s} [5s.] *mecerecordia.*

It. the Jurye doth ord^{r} y^{t} none of thinabiters [the inhabiters] of the towne [of] manch^{r} nor foryñs [foreigners][1] shall breake no yearth [earth] in the market stede lane to make Dobe [daub][2] nor for no oth^{r} vse w^{t}in a Rode [rood] of [the] causet [causeway] vpon neyth^{r} syde sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d} [3s. 4d.]

It. the Jurye doth ord^{r} y^{t} none of thinhabit^{r}s [the inhabiters] of the towne [of] manch^{r} nor foryñ [foreigners][1] shall breke no yearth [earth] betwyxt t[he] house of one Willm sklat^{r} [Sclater] & the ston brydge [the stone bridge] lyinge on this syde borlow crosse [Barlow Cross] w^{t}in [within] a rode [rood] of the causaye [causeway] of neyth^{r} syde sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d} [3s. 4d.]

[Item] the Jurye doth ord^{r} y^{t} Jamis chetam [sha]ll make the hygh waye at the sude hill [now Shude Hill] ([as far] as he hath maide) sufficient for carts to come & go betwyxe this & the fyrst of [Ma]ye sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d} [3s. 4d.] *mecerecordia.*

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The Jure dothe order y^{t} [that] the hedge y^{t} [that] goithe betwyxt the Gardyn of Jhamys whytworthe and the wyffe of John Wyrall shall be occupyed Dulye [duly or evenly] betwyxt them oñ [one] hauyng the oñ haulfe and the other hauyng the other haulfe of the sayd hedge the sayd Jhamis hauyng the lower ende being the nerer unto his howse.

The Jure dothe order y^{t} [that] wheras Rychard hunt hathe encroched vppon the hyght wey anend[s] [over against] the house y^{t} george Sydall dwellythe [dwelleth] in that the sayd Rychard shall cause the sayd encrochemēt to be takyn vp affor the fayst of ester [the feast of Easter] next sub pena ij^{s} [2s.]

also the sayd Jure dothe order y^{t} Rauffe prowdloue shall cause the encrochment anens [adjoining to] the house y^{t} John Debdall

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[1] "Foreigners" were those who were not burgesses of the town, or perhaps even non-residents only.

[2] "Daub" is clay prepared for building purposes, and was extensively used at this time in building houses and cottages, which were constructed of "raddle and daub," or "wattle and daub." Whitaker, in his *History of Manchester* (vol. i., p. 213), refers to "those large cavities upon Shude hill and Market Street Lane, what are now called and have been for centuries denominated the 'Daub Holes.'" Those in Market Street were on the site of what is now the Infirmary Flags. There are many references to this getting of "daub" in these Court Leet Records.

dwellythe in to be takyn up affor the same feast sub pena ij^{s} [2s.] and further yt ys ordered afore the feaste of Sainct Michaell tharchange[l] [Sept. 29] next comyng for want of w^{r}ning [warning].

also the sayd Jure dothe order y^{t} M^{tr} Rauffe trafford[1] shall cause the incrochment anens [adjoining to] the house y^{t} Robart hudsū [Hudsun] dwellythe in to be takyn vp affor the sayd feast of ester [Easter] sub pena ... ... ij^{s} [2s.] in like maner

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[1] Ralph Trafford, of the Garrett, Esq. (the son and heir of George Trafford, of the Garrett, Esq., deceased), was the representative of a younger branch of the Trafford family, which had been seated at the Garrett, an estate at this time in the suburbs of Manchester, for many generations. The first of this family was Robert de Trafford, the third son of Sir Henry de Trafford, of Trafford, Knt., who died in 1334. The Garrett, subsequently known as Garrett (or Garratt) Hall, was a large, substantially built, timber and plaster building, a view of which has been preserved by James in his Views of Manchester, published in 1821. Portions of the hall were lately to be seen at the back of the Old Garratt Inn, in Princess Street, but the whole of the estate is now covered with buildings. Ralph Trafford died without issue in 1556, and his lands in Manchester, Saddleworth, &c., passed to his five sisters as co-heiresses. (See p. 44.)

Mancestrie. [11th Dec., 1554.]

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Curia cum Visu franc pleg tent ibm Decimo primo die mensis Decembris Annis Regnor philippi & Marie Dei gratia Regs & Regine Anglie franc neapols Jerusalem & Hibrniæ principū Hispaniar & sicilie, Archiduc Austrie Duc mediolani Bu[r]gundie & Brabantie comitum haspurgie flandrie & tirolie ꝑmo et secundo [1554][1]

Inquisitio capta ꝑ sacrament
[The inquest taken by the oath of]

georgij byram Jur
georgij proudloffe Jur
Thome Jacsun Jur
Ridi[2] Brownesworth Jur
Robrti m'ler [Marler] Jur
Ridi[2] Awen Jur

laurentij langley Jur
Robrti Holme Jur
Robrti Becke Jur
franc pendleton Jur
Radi pedley Jur
Robrti oldom Jur
nicholai sedall Jur
Willmi Ravald Jur
Thome syll Jur

Borough reve ... ... Nicholaus sydall

Constabularij [Constables] ... { Robrtę Holme, Robrtę Becke } con

Market lokers ... ... { Willms Haresun, Ridę[2] Rensha, Ridę[2] nycsun, Thomas Haslum }

Market lokers for fyshe & fleshe ... { John Bradsha, Willms Wharnbye }

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[1] *Translated*:—Court [Leet] with view of Frank Pledge held there the 11th day of the month of December in the years of the reigns of Philip and Mary, by the grace of God King and Queen of England, France, Naples, Jerusalem and Ireland, Princes of Spain and Sicily, Archduke [and Duchess] of Austria, Duke [and Duchess] of Milan, Burgundy and Brabant, Count [and Countess] of Haspurg [Hapsburg], Flanders and the Tyrol, the first and second [1554].

[2] Ridi and Rids *sic* as before for *Ricardi* and *Ricardus*, Richard.

Ale founders	nicholas shepd [Shepherd] Rob'tę garnet
Myce layers [Mize layers][1] ...	Radę pedley Thomas Jacsun
Myse gatherers [Mize gatherers][2]	John mosse georgius travę [Travers]
leth' sealers [Leather sealers] ...	Radę Holingworth Edmundę garnet
market lok's for whyte meate ...	galfridę gregorye Robrtus chetam Ridę[3] dyckonsun Thomas lece John postles
for makinge cleane of the market place	nicholaę hytchemough petrę Batersbye
Byrlawmen[4] for market-stede ...	Renaldę Wharnebye Johes Derbyshyre
Byrlawmen for denysgate [Deansgate]	Willms Wollm [Wollam] Rob'tę Asheton
Byrlawmen for Whethingreve [Withy Grove]	charles Baguley
for the hanginge dytche	Rob'tę bexwyke
for the mylnegate [Millgate] ...	John spens'
skevengers[5] for marke[t] [stede] lane	Ric̄ Brownesworth thomas Hygen
Skevengers for denysgate [Deansgate]	Willms shalcrosse Johes smyth
for sayncte marye gate	Raphe choureton [Chorlton]
for the old market sted	Alexand' massey Willms Radclyffe
for the fenell strete	hugh thorpe
for smythye Doure [Smithy Door].	Johes travs [Travers]
from Hunts Banke to Backest's house [Baxter's house]	Thomas Whyteworth Johes swenton [Swenerton or Swinnerton]

[1] The Mize layers were those officers who had to assess the various rates or "mizes" which had to be levied in the town.

[2] The Mize gatherers were those that had to collect the rates or see that they were duly collected.

[3] Rids *sic* for *Ricardus*, Richard.

[4] Birlawmen, see p. 3. [5] Scavengers, see p. 4.

for Hanginge dytche [and] meyle gate [Millgate]	Jamys Whitworth Rob'te marler
for the mylne gate...	laurens langley george proudloffe

It[em] the Jurye doth ord' y^t^ [that] thinbitants [the inhabitants] of the towne of Manchest' y^t^ Doyth kepe swyne shall paye vnto an offycer y^t^ shalbe made to kepe theym vpon a common called colyers [Collyhurst] for everye [swine] quarterlye j^d^ [1d.] or els to kepe [them] w^t^in [within] vpon theyre backsyds y^t^ they do not goe a brode [abroad] in towne nor market nor in church yarde aft' the purefycation of our ladye [Feb. 2] next insuinge sub pena v^s^ [5s.]

It[em] the Jurye doth ord' y^t^ Ryc. Awen & nycholas Bexwyke shalbe offycers to se [see] y^t^ no hors [horse] nor mare cowe nor oxe shall go ov' the hanginge brydge thorow the churche yard & Also y^t^ John pendleton Ryc[1] Hugh smyth Ell^a^ cost'dyne Ryc chambrs & thomas Vtley shalbe offycers for the same.

It. the Jurye doth ord' y^t^ Rob't Becke Ric Brownsworth & thomas Jacsun shalbe offycers to se [see] y^t^ no man gett any yearth or make any Dawbe in market stede laune not w^t^in a Rode of the cawsye & also to take the yearth streyg[ht] afore theym & make no hols [holes] sub pena ij^s^ [2s.]

It. the Jurye do p'sent y^t^ Ryc. shalcrosse[2] [is] Depted [departed or dead] syns [since] the last court Daye.

It. the Jurye doth ord' y^t^ all the myddyngs [middens] betwyx the coundyth [conduit][3] & the crosse in market sted laune lying in the strete & in all the strets in the towne where any myddings [middens] be & also all swyne cots lying to the Hygh strete to be

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[1] A name seems to have been omitted here.

[2] Richard Shalcross was mentioned at the last Court Leet (29th March, 1554), when William Hardey was stated to be his heir for a certain messuage in Manchester (see p. 9). Richard Shalcross married (before 1545) Anne, one of the daughters and ultimately co-heiresses of George Trafford, of the Garrett, Esq., by whom he had a son and heir, James Shalcross. From an entry in these Records for 1555 (see p. 23), it would appear that she was his second wife, and that by his first wife Elizabeth, the daughter of Henry Gee, of Manchester, he had a daughter Elizabeth.

[3] The Conduit supplied the inhabitants of the town with water. It stood at the lower end of Market Street, then generally called Market Sted Lane, in what was then known as "the old Market place," and on a site now, I believe, covered by houses. It was supplied with water from a spring near the top of King Street, whence the present Fountain Street and Spring Gardens derive their names. The exact date of its erection is uncertain, but it was probably erected in the first quarter of the 16th century; and it is stated by Hollinworth in his *Mancuniensis*, written about a hundred years later, to have been built by Isabel Beck, the widow of . . . Beck, and daughter and heiress of Richard Beswick, a rich Manchester merchant. She is also said to have left some houses in St. Mary's Gate for its sustentation and repair. The Conduit was certainly

taken awaye afore the fyrst Daye of June next comynge & no more to be layed there & no mo [more] cots to be sett vpp thereaft[r] sub pena v[s] [5s.]

Afferatores ... ... [Affeerors][1]
- georgius Byram
- franc pendleton
- Rad[s] pedley
- georgius proudloffe

existing in 1536, as stated later on in these Records; and it is mentioned in the will of Edward Janney, of Manchester, merchant, made in 1553, who, as already stated on p. 7, note 2, left 13s. 4d. to be paid yearly out of the rental "of the taverne at the Smythe Dore in Manchester" to the church wardens of Manchester for the time being, to be by them "yearly bestowed on the reparacyon of the condut there," with a proviso that if the Conduit be not kept up for the good of the town, then this money was to be given to the poor. It is also referred to in the will of Robert Beck, of Manchester, draper, made in 1556, who leaves "to y[e] cundite in y[e] M'ket strete at Manchester xl[s] [40s.]" There are many references to the Conduit in these Records, various regulations being made from time to time relating to it, and later on special persons being appointed to look after it, who kept the keys, and only opened it at certain specified hours. It ceased to be used about 1775 or 1776. No sketch of it is known to be in existence.

[1] See p. 4.

Mamceſtr [15th May, 1555].

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Curia cum Visu ffraunc Plegij tenta ibm decimo quinto die mens᷑ maij Annis regnor᷑ ph̄i et marie dei gr̄a reg᷑ et regine Anglie ffranc᷑ie neapol Jerusalem et hiber᷑ fidei defensor princip᷑ hispaniar᷑ et Cecilie Archiduc᷑ austr᷑ duc᷑ mediolane burgandie et brabanc comit᷑ haspurg᷑ fflaundrie et Tirollis primo et Scdo [1555].

Inquisitio capta per sacrament	Richard hunt	Jur᷑		Georgij byrom	Jur᷑
	Laurens Langley			Willmi Hardey	
	Robarti Becke			Thome Sill	
	Radulfi Pedley			Willmi Ravalde	
	Georgij Proudeluff			Robart Oldom	
	Thome Jacson			Nicholai Sydall	

The Jurye above said dothe Order that Rauff proudeloff shall cause the encrochement anenste the howse now or late in the holdyng of John Debdall to be taken vpp on this side and before the feaste daie of Sainct Michaell tharchangell [Sept. 29] next ensuyng sub pena ij*li*.....*fact est.*

Also the Jury dothe order that Rauff Trafforde esquier[1] on this side and before the same feast of sainct Michaell shall cause the Encrochement anenst the howse w*ch* nowe Robart Hudson dwell in to be taken vpp sub pena ij*li* [In the margin:—for want of warning the Jurye dothe geue a newe daye as shall apere hereaft*r*.][2]

Also the said Jurye dothe Orderr that Robart Becke and ffraunc᷑ pendilton shall pave or cause to be paued the strete afore the howse and howses now or late in the holding of william Edg[e] and Jamys

[1] Ralph Trafford, of the Garrett, near Manchester, Esq. (See p. 44.)
[2] See p. 22.

Chetam deceased vpon the proper costes and char[ges] of either of theme for thair awne partꝭ on this side and be[fore] the feast daie of Sainct michaell tharꝯ aforesaid sub pena.....*fact est.*

Also the Jurye dothe Order that Rauff birche shall take awaye or cause to be taken awaye a meding [a midden] now lyeng and beying vnsemelye in the kingꝭ highe waye cōmonlie called he[ngyng] Diche [Hanging Ditch] on this [side] and before the feaste daie of penticoste next ensuyng sub pena ij^{s}. And that he the said Rauff birch nor any other by his will assent cōmaundement or ꝑcurement shall Laye or cause to be Layde there any suche lyke at any tyme hereaft^{r} sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d}.....*fact est.*

Also the Jurye dothe order that Robart Cropper or his assignes shall from tyme to tyme [and] at all tymes hereafterr kepe a barell under his pryvey [privy] now standinge and being in a place there cōmonlie called Hanging Diche and to convaye the same pryuelie [privily] awaye at all tyme or tymes when the same maye be or afore yt be noysom or hurtfull to the passers bye Or ells to put the same cleane awaye and kepe none there on this side and before the feast daie of penꝯ [Pentecost] next comyng sub pena ij^{s}.....*fact est.*

Also the Jurye dothe Orderr that Otuell Johnson or whoe so euer ys the honerr [owner] of an vnsemelie pryvey now standing set and being in a place cōmonlie called the tode Lane shall take awaye or cause to be taken awaye the same pryvey on this side and before the feaste daie of Pentycost next ensuyng sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d}...*fact est.*

Also the Jury dothe Orderr that the boroughe Reve or his deputie shall geue warnynge to all thenhabitaunce [the inhabitants] of the towne of Mamchestr that have any swyne cootꝭ [swine cotes] in the open Strete or Stretes w^{ch} maye be or are noysome or hurtfull to the passers bye to get and convey theme awaye on this side and before the first daye of June next cōmynge sub pena v^{s} to every of theme that hathe any suche.....*fact est.*

Also the Jurye dothe present Peterr Cowopp [to be a] burgesse and [that] he the said Peterr holdeth certayne Landes of the Lorde Lawarr in Soccage tenour[1] and tha[t] he the same Peterr hath paid vj^{d} for his hareot [heriot][1] and done his Sute according to his bounden dewtie and the olde auncyent custome heretofore vsed & howyth [oweth] for hys Releyff.[1]

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[1] For the meaning of the terms "socage tenure," "heriot," and "relief," see Introduction.

And also the Jurye dothe present Thomas Marecrofte and Peterr Sedon [to be] Burgesses in the towne of Mamchestr for certayne Landes bought and purchased of Henry Ince and Katherynn his wiff Late heir of Nicholas Glouerr [Glover] Late of Salforde deceased and thaie and eitherr of theme hathe paid vj^{d} for thair Releeff and done thair Sute according to thair bounden dewtie and the olde auncyent custome heretofore vsed.

Teſt petrum Ekkersall[1]

Ctm ibm

mamceſt [redacted] Cur

[1] Witness Peter Ekkersall, clerk [of the Court] there. This is the first occurrence of the clerk's name in these Records. He was shortly succeeded by John Glover. (See page 44, note 2.)

mamceſtr [16th Oct., 1555].

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Curia cum Visu ffraunc pleg tent ibm Decimo Sexto die mensis Octobris Annis regnor̄ ph̄i et marie dei gr̄a reg̃ et regine anglie ffrauncie nepolis Jerusalem et Hibernie fidei defensor principũ hispaniar̄ et Cecilie archiduc̃ austr̄ duc̃ mediolani burgondie et brabancie comit̃ haspurg̃ flaundr̄ et tirolt Scdo et tercio [1555].

Inquisitio capta per Sacrament: Laurencij Langley, Robarti Holme, Robarti Becke, Radulphi Pedley, Georgij proudeloff, Thome Jacson — Jur̄

Richardi browne-sworde, Adam Hollannd, willmi hardeye, Richardi Platte, Willmi Ravalde, Nicholai Sidall — Jur̄

Robarti Marlerr, Robarti Oldom — Jur̄

Boroughe Reve	william Hardeye
Catchepolle	william Reade
Cunstables	Edwarde bibbie & John mosse
markethe Lookers for corne ...	Robart becke, George proudeloffe, Raffe Chourton [Chorlton], Henrye Radley
markethe Lokers for fishe and flesshe	Robarte Dale & John barne
myse layers	ffrauncę pendelton, Richard brownesworde
Gatherers of the myse	Elys hall, John Orrell
Selers of lether	Andrewe Ramshawe, Charles Baguleye

markethe lokers for white meate	Robarte Chetam Geffraye Gregorye Richarde Dyconson Thomas Leys John Postels
Ale founders	John Durnynge Edmounde farington
birlamen for the marketh stede lane	Antony Higenn Edmounde Garnett
Birlamen for denysgate	Thomas birche william harroppe alĩ mathewe[1]
Birlamẽ for withingreue and hangingdich	John Debdale Richarde Cobcrofte alĩ vocaĩ cardmakerr[2]
b[i]rlamen for the mylnegate ...	Laurens wenyngton Edmounde Hall
Scevingers for markethstede lane	Thomas Jacsonn George Pendelton
Scevingers for Denysgate ...	Robart Raulinson Edward Reddiet[3]
Scevingers for sainct mary Gate and olde markethstede ...	Alexanderr massie Stephen Beche[4]
Scevingers from the bothes to the Smethie doore	Thomas Riddilstons
S[c]evingers for ffenelstrete ...	Hughe Thorpe
Scevingers for smythe doore ...	George Traues [Travis]
Scevingers from huntisbancke vnto the howse now or late in the holding of the wiff of John Curtenall	Elys Costerdyne
Scevingers for the hanging diche and melegate	Edmound blomeley Jamys whitwurthe
S[c]evingers for the mylne gate	Laurens Langley George Proudeloff
for the making cleane of the marketh place	Nycholas hitchmoughe Peterr batersbye
Afferatores huius Curie [Affeerors of this Court]	Laurentius Langley Radus Pedleye Thomas Jacsonn Richardus brownesword

[1] William Harrop, otherwise Matthew.
[2] Richard Cobcroft, otherwise called cardmaker.
[3] *Sic* for Reddish. [4] Or Becke.

The Jurye aforesaid dothe Orderr that Rauff Trafforde of Garret esquierr[1] on this side and before the feast daie of thannunciacõn of o^r^ blessed Ladie sainct marye the virgin [March 25] next ensuynge shall cause the Encrochement anenste the howse w^ch^ nowe Robart hudson dwellethe in to be taken vpp sub pena iij^s^ iiij^d^ .....*factum.*

Also the Jurye Dothe Orderr that Thomas Trafforde gent^[2]^ shall make and sett or cause to be made and Sett too steles [two stiles] that is to saye a Stele [stile] Leyding from the highe waye called markethstede Lane vnto a felde called Brike crofte [Brick Croft] and an otherr stele to Leyde the waye from the Breke crofte aforsaid to a Lane or a foote waye nowe in the vse or holding of Robart holme gent^[3]^ on this side and befoore the ffeast of Saincte Andrewe thappostell [Nov. 30] next cõmynge sub pena v^s^. [In the margin:—No^r^ yf better euidenc be not brought in afore the feaste of Sainct michaell tharchangell next comyng [that] the said waie be not made then the said Thomas or his assignes to paye x^s^]

Also the said Robart holme in like manerr to make an otherr Stele furthe of the said Lane Leyding to a place called Doobe hoole[4] sub pena iij^s^ iiij^d^. [In the margin:—& Robart holme in like state vi^s^ viij^d^.]

Also the said Jury dothe order that from hensfurthe and alwayes hereafterr all & every thenhabitauncs and howseholders of the towne of mamchestr shall *from hensfurthe* [crossed out] haue lawfull warnyng to appere and geue thair attendaunce at the great Lete Courte[5] and courtes hereafter to be hadd and kepte in mamchestr and thaie and every of theme having suche warnynge to appere according to thair dewties or ell̃ thaie & every of theme to be amercyed that make defaulte withoute any favour according to the discrecon of the afferatours for the tyme beinge.

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[1] See p. 44.

[2] Thomas Trafford, gent., was the third son of Sir Edmund Trafford, of Trafford, Knt., by his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Ralph Longford, of Longford, co. Derby, Knt. He was living in 1567 and in 1572, in which year he was executor to his brother George Trafford, gent. He was married, and had a son Edmund Trafford, who was living in 1591, and is mentioned in the will of Henry Trafford, rector of Wilmslow, his uncle.

[3] Robert Holme or *Hulme*, of Manchester, gent., was the son and heir of Stephen Hulme of that town. He married Anne, daughter and heiress of Robert Holt, of Ashworth, gentleman, and died in 1584, leaving issue.

[4] The Daub Hole or Holes was on the site of the present Infirmary esplanade. From them the clay used for building purposes was dug out. (See p. 11, note 2.)

[5] The Great Court Leet was the one held every six months, of which these pages are the records, and it was so called to distinguish it from the Lesser Court Leet held every three weeks.

Also the same Jury aforsaid dothe present and bringe in Elisabeth one of the doughters of Richard Shalcrosse[1] begotten of Elsabeth one of Doughters of Henry Gee and first wiff of the said Richard to be right heire vnto the said Richard Shalcrosse in the right of Els[abeth] his wiff mother unto the said Elsabeth of one certayn burgage w^th^ thappurteñnc̄ whiche the said Richard Latelye dwelled in now being Scituate and standing in Mamchestr in a place there cōm[on]lye called Markethsted onles [unless] betterr Euydence be brought in to the contrarye afore the next Courte foreseing alwayes th[at] Robart holme gent [one of the Jury] Dothe not geue [give] his concent to the premiꝭ in this last order thereof made.

The Jurye dothe present that william Mylnegate[2] ys deceased Sins the Last courte daie and Yet there ys no p̄fight [perfect] knowledge whoe ys Right heirre.

Also the Jurye dothe Orderr that the persons whiche be appointed to make cleane the Markethe place shall haue warnyng by the Borowe Reue to amende thair doinḡ or ell̄ the Borowe Reue withe the counsell and concent of the Cunstable[s] shall appōte [appoint] and chewse newe officers for the same fforseing alwaies that thaie make cleane the same euery Tuisdaie.....*ffact.*

Itm whereas there ys matter betwixte S^r^ Robert Briddocke priest[3] and thelue [? the eleven] persons late chosen and sworne at

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[1] Richard Shallcross appears to have been twice married (1), as described in the text, to Elizabeth, one of the daughters of Henry Gee, of Manchester, by whom he had more than one daughter, and (2), to Anne, daughter of George Trafford, of the Garrett, Esq., by whom he had a son and heir, James Shallcross, who is described as "of the city of Lichfield," in 1573. (See also p. 15, note 2.)

[2] The name of Milnegate, obviously derived from the street of that name, occurs as early as 1327, in the Manchester deeds, now in the possession of the Corporation. At the Court held on 21st April, 1557 (see p. 32), the jury returned that Edmund Bainbridge was next heir of William Milnegate, the husband of his daughter and heiress Ellen. In 1565 a suit, relating to a messuage in Manchester, was tried in the Court of the Duchy of Lancaster, in which the plaintiffs are described as "Robert Baymbryge and Isabel his wife, daughter and heiress of William Mylnegate," which does not agree with the entry on these Records, unless two brothers had married two sisters.

[3] The will of Sir Robert Briddock, of Manchester, clerk, dated 19th April, and proved 27th August, 1556, has been printed by the Chetham Society (*Lanc. & Ches. Wills*, iij., 142). He was evidently of a local family of that name, of whom occasional references occur. He bequeathed his soul to Almighty God, our Lady Saint Mary and all the whole company of Heaven, and desired that his body be buried at the church of Manchester. To Thomas Briddock he bequeathed his best bow and arrows; to James Eccarsall his velvet doublet; to Genet Chorleton his short gowne; and to Sir Harry Sydall, priest, 3s. 4d. and his "rugge gowne." He left 20s. "to be delt for my sowle the daye of my buryall," and desired that every priest saying mass for his soul was to have 8d. Richard Briddock and Geoffrey Briddock were two of the executors, and Sir Harry Sydall, priest, Sir Lawrence Vawce, priest, and Sir Hugh Ormyssa, priest, were witnesses. The inventory of his goods contains some quaint entries.

the courte of Mamchestr[1] as shalbe more plainlie appere in the Booke of the said courte there the same being nowe ꝑnt [present] [by] thorderr of the right honourable Erle of Derbie the Jurie Dothe order that the same order shall take effecte aft [*i. e.* according to] his will and pleasure contunat.

Itm the Jurye dothe Order that wheareas a bill of complaincte hathe bene made by John Bacsterr and Edmound Blomeley as more plainlie apperethe in the same that Jamys Burdema and John wilson of the Mylne shalbe punysshed for thair Sclanderous words according to thair desues [deserves, *i. e.* deserts] remyttyng the same to the Stewarde.

Itm the Jurye dothe Order that wheareas a bill of complainte hathe bene brought vnto the said Jurie by John Spenserr that the wiff of Robart kiershawe hath not onelie accused hym for no honest man but also sclandered hym to be a recetterr of theves[2] the said Jury Dothe order that she shalbe punyshed according to herr desues [deserves] remytting the same to the Stewarde.

Itm the Jurye dothe Order that Thomas Assheton of mamchestre in the Denisgate shall convey and take awaye one pryvey or Draught nowe being unlawfull[ie] and filthilie placed in his Garden on this side and [afore] the feast daie of the Natyuytie of or Lord god [Dec. 25] next ensuyng or elle to set some houel cribbe or howse [hovel, cabin, or small building] ouer the same and to convey and put awaie the same not into the diche at his Garden ende but in suche wise as hit shall not be noysom or hurtefull to any of his neybours nor the passers bie in the hackers[3] sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d}...*fact.*

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[1] The Court of Manchester was the Lesser Court Leet, or Hundred Court, held there every three weeks. No records of this Court are now known to exist.

[2] One who receives or harbours thieves. The use of this old and rare word here is curious. Halliwell, in his *Dictionary of Archaic and Provincial Words*, 1850, has "*recette*," to receive or harbour, and quotes from a MS. the words "My lorde hym *recetted* in hys castell."

[3] The Ackers or Acres field, now St. Ann's Square.

Mamcestr [9th April, 1556].

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Cur cum Visu ffraunc pleg tent ibm nono die mensis Aprilis Annis regnor Dnor phi et Marie dei gra Reg et regin anglie ffraunc Neapoli Jerusalem et hibernie fidei deffensor principu hispaniar et Cecilie Archiduc austr duc Mediolani Burgondie et Brabauncie Comit haspurg flaundr et Tirolle Scdo et Tertio [1556].

Inquisico capt p Sacrament

Richardus Hunte Jur
Willmus Radclyff Jur
ffrauncisscus Pendilton Jur
Robartus Becke Jur
Georgius byrom Jur
Radus Pedley Jur
Georgius proudeloue Jur
Adam Hollande Jur
Richardus brownsworde Jur
Thomas Jacsonn Jur
Richardus Platt Jur
Willmus Ravalde Jur
Robartus Marlerr Jur
Robartus Oldom Jur

Willmus Hardey Jur
Richardus Blomeley Jur
Rogerus Kenyonn Jur

Afferator [Affeerors]

willmus Radclyff Jur
Robartus Becke Jur
Georgius proudelof Jur
Robartus Oldom Jur[1]

The Jury dothe fynde that Rauff Trafforde of the Garret esquyer[2] ys deceased syns the last Couurte and further thaye do order that proclamacon shalbe made afore the next Courte that the Calengers [challengers] and right heir or heirs thereof shall present theme selues and come to the Courte and bring w^th^ them thair best Euydence and to do thair Suyce [service] and ffealtie according to thair dewtie and olde auncyent custom heretofore vsed.

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[1] Radus Pedley crossed out.

[2] See p. 12, also p. 44, where the names of the heirs are given.

The Jury dothe present that William Hulton of Donnyngton[1] ys depted [departed or dead] syns the last courte And George Hulton sonn and heir of the forsaid William Hulton in the right of Elsabeth his mother ys one of thers [the heirs] of Rob^{t} Laborer of mamchestr Late deceased And ys also of Laufull Age that ys to saye xx^{ti} yeres or aboue. And yf no other Laufull cause be founde or hadd to the contrary the said George Hulton to be allowed and brought in burgesse in the right of his said motherr And to do his S^{r}uyce [service] and ffeoltie to the Lorde according to the auncient Custome heretofore vsed and according to his dewtie.

Itm the Jury dothe orderr that William Edge and Genet his wiff nor any other for them shall not sufferr any horse mare or Cattell to be tyed and foddered vnderr or at the howse of ffrauncę Pendilton now being in the markethsted and for euer hereaft^{r} to make cleane and putt awaye the same from tyme to tyme afore thair awne howse and no dunge hyll to be made afore thair awne howse or strete nor any vnsemely hill or mucke sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d} in mĩa [*in misericordia*].

Itm the Jurye dothe present that Richard Radclyff or his tenante hathe encroched [on] the Lordes wast at Colyarst [Collyhurst] foote & furtherr the Jurye dothe orderr in the same that the said Richard or [his] Tenante there shall make the hedge in the olde place and Laye downe the said encrochement to the cõmon as yt hath bene heretofore afore the feaste daye of the Na^{tie} of our Lorde god [Dec. 25] next comyng sub pena v^{s}

Itm the Jury dothe order that Thomas cropper and John assheton shall occupie the hedge and gutter now in variance ioyntlye vntill the next courte daye yf there be any complaincte or grefee [grief or trouble] founde by the pties [apparently not finished].

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[1] I have not been able to identify this William Hulton of Donnington, a place now unknown near Manchester. Elizabeth his wife was daughter and co-heir of Robert Laborer of Manchester, another of whose daughters, Alice, married Stephen Hulme of Manchester.

Ap° Mamcestr [30th Sept., 1556].

Cur cu[m] Visu ffraunc pleg tent ibm Coram Edward comit Derbie senescallo[1] ibm tricesimo die Septembris Annis regnor dnor phi et Marie dei gra regr et regine angl hispaniar ffraunc vtriusq3 Cecilie Jerusalem et hibernie fidei defensor archiduc austr duc burgund mediolani et brabanc Comit haspurg flaundr et Tirolr Tercio et quarto [1556].

Inquico capt p Sacrament	willmus Radclyff Jur	Adamus hollande Jur
	Richardus Hunte Jur	Richardus Awen Jur
	ffranciscus Pendiltō Jur	Petrus Cowopp Jur
	Radus Pedley Jur	willmus hardey Jur
	Georgius Proudeloue Jur	Robartus Oldom Jur
	Thomas Jacson Jur	Robartus Marler Jur
	Richardus brownesworde Jur	willmus Ravalde Jur
		Nicholaus Sydall Jur

Officiar.

Borowe Reve	Peter Cowopp
Catche Poole	willm Reade Jur
Constabular	willm Radclyff Jur Elys hall Jur
markethe Lokers for Corne ...	Rauff Radley Jur Thomas holte Jur Jamys whitw'th Jur Rauff billinge Jur
marketh Lokers for fysshe and flesshe	Henry Hylton Jur John Bradshay Jur
myse Layers	George Proudeloue Rauff Pedley Jur

[1] This is the first time the Steward's name has occurred in these Records. For an account of Edward, Earl of Derby, the third of that name, see *postea*.

myse gatherers	Rauff Browne Jur̄ Antony Sheparde Jur̄
Selers of Letherr	Henry Radley Richard Chourton [Chorlton]
[mar]kethe lokers for white meate	Roger Adamson Jur̄ John Draperr Jur̄ Elys Sydall Jur̄ Elys bothomley Jur̄
Ale founders	Raynolde becke Jur̄ Elys berdisley Jur̄
Birlamen for the markethstede Lane	John Derbishire Jur̄ Henry Reddiche Jur̄
Birlamen for Denysgate ...	wiłłm wollen Jur̄ John Postells Jur̄
Birlamen for wethingreue and hanging diche...	Robart mason Jur̄ John Shanckes aŧs Sidal
Birlamen for mylne gate ...	Rauff Purseyloue Jur̄ Edmūde mylnes Jur̄
Scevingers for markethstede lane	Edwarde bibbie Jur̄ Richard brownesworde Jur̄
Scevingers for Denisgate ...	John Smythe Jur̄ John Glouerr Jur̄
Scevingers for Sainct mary gate and thold markethstede ...	Robart Becke Jur̄ Richard Rainshae Jur̄
Scevinger frō the boothes to the Smethie dore	Richarde hūte [Hunte] Jur̄
Scevingers frō ffenelstrete to the scole howse	John blomeley Jur̄ John Swynerton Jur̄ John Durnynge Jur̄
Scevinger for Smethie dore ...	George Traves
Scevingers for mylnegate ...	Jamys wilde myles Gilforde
for the making Cleane of the markethstede	Perys batersby Nicholas Robinson
Afferator̄ huius Curie ... ... [Affeerors of this Court]	Richardus Hunt Jur̄ Radulphus Pedley Jur̄ Robertus marler Jur̄ Richardus Awen Jur̄
Praysers...	Johes bacster Jur̄ Edmounde blomeley Jur̄

Qui dicunt sup sacrū suū[1] That Phillipp Strangwayes of Strangwayes esquyer[2] ys departed Since the laste courte and that william Strangwayes ys his heire and at Lafull age and owethe to doe his Sute and ffeoltie to the Lorde according to the custome of this maner.

Itm dicunt that John Grenealghe Late of brandylshulme Esquire[3] ys departed Synce the laste courte and that Thomas Grenealghe hys heyre and at Laufull age and oweth to doe his suyte & ꝟuyce *ffeoltie* [crossed out] and paye his Relieff.

Itm Dicunt et presentant[4] that Henry Tetlow ys departed syns the Last Courte and that Thomas Tetlowe ys at laufull age and ys right heir and owethe to doe his suyte & ꝟuice *and ffeoltie* [crossed out] and also to paye his haryot & Relieff according to the custome of this manere.....*fact est.*

Itm dicunt et presentant that Thomas Pilkinton Late burgesse of mamchestr ys deceased syns the last courte and Margaret Pilkinton doughter vnto the said Thomas ys the right heir and at Laufull age and owethe her ffeoltie and Servyce and [to] paye hereot and Relieff to the Lorde according to the Custome of this Manerr.....*fact est.*

Itm dicunt et presentant that Elsabethe one of the doughters of Richard Shalcrosse[5] ys at Laufull age and Right heire vnto Ric̄ Shalcrosse aforsaid of and in too howse [two houses] in the markethstede withe thappurtennc̄ in the Right of her motherr and owethe to doe her Sute ffeoltie and [to] paye hereot & Relieff to the Lorde according to the Custome of this Lordeshipp.....*fact et solut est.*

Itm dicunt et presentant that George Hultonn ys sonne and heyre to Willm̄ Hulton Late of Donyngtonn[6] and ys at Laufull age and ys burgesse and Coheere to Robarte Laborerr in the right of Elsabethe his motherr and owethe to doe his ꝟuyce and feoltye and paye hareot and Relyeff to the Lorde according to the &c.

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[1] Who say on their oath that, &c.

[2] Philip Strangeways, of Strangeways, Esq., the representative of an old Manchester family of that name, was the son and heir of Thomas Strangeways, who is called "lately deceased" in 1518. He appears to have married Katherine, daughter of Hamo Hyde, on whom lands in Manchester were settled by deed dated 12th June, 1525. He had a son and heir, William Strangeways, of Strangeways, Esq., who succeeded him, but died before 1568.

[3] John Greenhalgh, of Brandlesholme, near Bury, Esq., was the son and heir of Thomas Greenhalgh of that place He married Anne, daughter of Robert Langley, of Agecroft, Esq., and had issue. He died 20th December, 1555. The will of Anne Greenhalgh, widow, dated 16th January, 1566-7, and proved 4th February, 1566-7, has been printed by the Chetham Society (*Lanc. & Ches. Wills*, ij., 136).

[4] Item They say and present that, &c.

[5] See p. 23. [6] See p. 26.

Itm dicunt et presentant that Thomas Tyldesley Late of warldeley Esquyer[1] ys deceased syns the Laste Courte and that Thurstan Tildesley ys Right heire vnto the said Thomas and at Laufull age and owethe ℈uyce ffeoltye hareot and Relieff vnto the Lorde according to the custome &c.

Itm Ordinat est that Richarde Prestwiche of mamch[r] shall take awaye or cause to be taken away a certayne meding [midden] or dunghill Lyenge and being before his howse in the marketstede Lane before the feast daye of all Saincts [Nov. 1] next cōmynge & to Lay no more suche there at any tyme hereafter sub pena x[s]..... *fact est.*

Itm Ordinat est that Thomas Jacson of mamchestr shall make or cause to be made a sufficient Defence in the markethstede Lane wheare he hathe now a donge hill w[th] pale or otherwise so that the donge or mocke be no noyance nor evill sight in the strete there afore the feaste daye of all Saincts [Nov. 1] next cōminge sub pena x[s].....*fact est.*

Itm Ordinat est that all thenhabitantȩ and howseholders of the towne of mamchestr shall haue warnyng in the Churche to come and grinde thair Cornes and Graynes at the mylnes belonginge to the ffre Schole of Mamchestr[2] according to thair dewties & as thaye be thereunto bounden: And from thensfurthe thaye and euery of theme offending to the contrarye shalbe amercyed and assessed at the Discrecon of the feyrers [affeerors] of this Courte for the tyme beinge Provided alwayes that yff any offycer or offycers as

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[1] Thomas Tildesley, of Wardley, Esq., was son and heir of Thurstan Tildesley, Esq. He married Anne, daughter of William Radcliffe, of Ordsall, Esq., by whom he had issue. From his Inquisition *post mortem* it appears that he died seised of messuages, lands, &c., in Worsley, Tildesley, Swinton, Sonkey, Little Sonkey, Haughton, Salford, West Leigh, and other places.

[2] The Grammar School Mills played an important part in the history of Manchester, and are frequently referred to in these Court Leet Records. The mills were originally here, as elsewhere, owned by the lord of the manor, all of whose tenants had to have their corn ground there. By deed dated 3rd October, 1509, Sir Thomas West, Knt., Lord la Warre, the then lord of the manor of Manchester, granted to Hugh Bexwyke, clerk, and Joan Bexwyke, his mother, and to Ralph Hulme, of Manchester, gentleman, for ever, his water corn mills, called Manchester Mills, situate on the river Irk, and all the tolls taken at the said mills of all his tenants in Manchester, and of all other residents there. He also granted them his fulling mill on the Irk, called a Walke Mill, and a close of land called Walker's Croft, and also the right of fishing in the said river from Asshelle Lawn [now Ashley Lane] to the Irwell, with the right to erect mills and weirs on the said river. On 1st April, 1525, the above-named Hugh Bexwyke and Joan Bexwyke granted all these premises and other messuages and lands to twelve feoffees for ever, for the maintenance of the Grammar School, which had previously been founded by Hugh Oldham, Bishop of Exeter.

ffermo[r] mylnerr tollerr Carier ouerseer or grinder[1] or any other officer make eny ffaute [fault] to any maner ꝑsone or ꝑsons [person or persons] that bringeth any Cornes or graynes to the mylnes: the said ꝑson or ꝑsons finding hym [self] or theme [selves] greved to complane to the fermo[r][2] or his Laufull Deputie for the tyme being and [if they] can not be recompenced or agreed withe the same ꝑson or ꝑsons to be at Libertie to grinde his or thair Cornes and granes where thaie or any of theme will and maye untill further order be had and taken.

Itm Ordinat est yf wiłłm Edge and his howseholde do not kepe the Order Before made at all tyme and tymes hereafter the same wiłłm to be amercyed or the Tenante dwelling in the same [house] to paye for so offendinge v[s].....*mia.*

Itm Ordinat est that E[d]mounde blomeley or the tenante occupyeng the place hereafter named shall at all and euery tyme & tymes hereafter make cleyne the Strete euery weke as well afore the Smethye there as vnder the pe [tom] of the howse of the wiffe of John Raulynson sub pena ... ... xx[d ti]

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[1] That is, any officer or officers, as the farmer, the miller, the toll gatherer, the carrier, the overseer, or the grinder.

[2] The farmer was the person who "farmed" or rented the mills from the feoffees of the Grammar School, and received the tolls for grinding corn, &c.

[Manchester.] [21st April, 1557.]

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Cur cum Visu ffraunc Pleg tent ibm coram Edwardo Comit Derbie Senescallo ibm Vicesimo primo die aprilis Annis regnor dnor Phillippi et Marie dei gra Regis et Regine Angt hispaniar fraunc vtriusq3 Cecilie Jerusalem et hibernie fidei defensor archiduc austr duc burgund Mediolani et brabancie Comit haspurgi flandr et Tirolle Tercio et Quarto [1557].

Inquico capt p Sacrament	Laurentius Langley Jur	Richardus blomeley Jur
	Richardus Hunte Jur	Robartus marlerr Jur
	Georgius Byrom Jur	Thomas Tetlowe Jur
	Radus Pedley Jur	Thomas Syll Jur
	Richardus awen Jur	Peterr Cowopp Jur
	Thomas Jacson Jur	Rogerus Kenyon Jur
	Robart Oldom Jur	Johannes Harte Jur

Qui dicunt super Sacrum suũ that Robert Becke[1] wch did holde certayne Landes and Tenements of the Lorde ys deceased And that Thomas Becke ys his sonne and heire and nowe of thage of [blank in original] yeres or there abouts and owe [ought] to doe his ffealtie and Sruyce accordinge to the Custome of this Manoure And paye hys hareot & Releyf.

Also the Jury dothe present that Edmounde Benbrigge ys right heyre of William Mylnegate[2] whoe did holde certayne Landes &

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[1] Robert Beck was a member of an old local family, whose names are frequently met with in deeds relating to Manchester in the 16th and 17th centuries. He was the son of Thomas Beck by Anne his wife. He married Jane Massie, by whom he had issue. In his will dated 17th December, 1556, he calls himself of Manchester, draper. He bequeathed 40s. for amending the high ways about the town of Manchester, and another 40s. to the conduit in Market Street. He also left 16s. 8d. to the chapel at Garstang, in Lancashire, for the buying or making a chalice there.—(*Lanc. & Ches. Wills*, i., 84.)

[2] See p. 23, note 2.

tenements of the Lorde in the right of Elyn his wiffe doughter and heire to the said William Mylnegate and yf there come no Evydence of more Effecte to the contrary at the next Courte or afore then the said Edmounde Benbrigge to be presented and brought in for Eyre [heir] and to paye his ffealtie and hareot & Reliff accordinge to the custome of the maner.

[1]Qui dicunt et presentant sup Sacrum suū Quod willmus hulton nup de ffernewurthe in com̄ Lanc̄ ar̄[2] Qui de dño huius manerii tenuit Maneriū de ffernewurthe et Rumwurthe cū ptin̄ ac diuers alia messuag̃ terr et Tenement cū ptin̄ in ffernewurthe Rumwurthe Lostocke mamcestr harpheye [Harpurhey] Gothersweke Gorton Denton Opinshawe keirsley horwiche Irlam et fflixton obijt decimo die novembris vltimo [1556] preterit Et quod willms hulton filius Johis hulton Defuncti nup filij predicti willmi hulton ar̄ est consanguineus et heres ꝑpinquier predict̄ willmi hulton armigeri et est etatꝭ die capcōis huius Inquisicōis quatuor Annor̄ et amplius viz predict̄ man̄ de Rumwurthe et Lostocke cū suis ptin̄ ꝑ ꝺuiciū militar̄ viz ꝑ ꝺuiciū tercie ptꝭ vnꝭ feodi militꝭ Et ꝑ Reddit̄ iij^{s} ꝑ Annū Et pred̄ manū de farnewurthe ac omia̅ et sing̃la premiss̄

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[1] *Translated*:—Who say and present on their oath that William Hulton, late of Farnworth, co. Lanc., Esq., who held of the lord of this manor, the manor[s] of Farnworth and Rumworth, with their appurtenances, and divers other messuages, lands, and tenements, with their appurtenances, in Farnworth, Rumworth, Lostock, Manchester, Harpurhey, Gotherswick, Gorton, Denton, Openshaw, Kearsley, Horwich, Irlam, and Flixton, died the 10th day of November last past [1556]. And that William Hulton, son of John Hulton, deceased, late son of the said William Hulton, Esq., is next of kin and next heir of the said William Hulton, Esq., and is on the day of taking this inquisition of the age of four years and more. And, further, that the said manors of Rumworth and Lostock, with their appurtenances, [are held] by knight's service, viz., by the third part of one knight's fee, and by the rent of 4s. per annum. And that the said manor of Farnworth, with all and singular the said premises, with their appurtenances, in Farnworth, Manchester, Harpurhey, Gotherswick, Gorton, Denton, Openshawe, Kearsley, and Horwich, are held in socage and by the rent of 57s. per annum.

[2] The William Hulton, of Farnworth, Esq., whose Inquisition *post mortem* is referred to in the text, was the eldest son of James Hulton, who was the fifth son of William Hulton, of Farnworth, Esq. The latter had a son and heir John Hulton, of Farnworth, Esq., who died about 1488, leaving an only daughter Alice, who married Adam Hulton, of the Park, Esq. (see the *Lancashire Visitation* of 1533, Chetham Society, vol. cx., p. 209). The other sons of William Hulton, the elder (as he may be called), died unmarried or without male heirs, so that William Hulton, the eldest son of his fifth son James, ultimately succeeded to the entailed estates of the family, and so was described as of Farnworth, Esq. There were many disputes about these estates which were not settled till 1522. William Hulton (named in the text), by his wife Christian, daughter of John Radcliffe, of Ordsall, Esq., had a son and heir John Hulton, who is said to have married Alice, daughter of Sir William Radcliffe, of Ordsall, Knt., and by whom he had a son and heir William (who, as stated in the above return, became heir to his grandfather), and two daughters Christiana and Catherine.

pred cū ptin in fernew[urthe] mamcestr haphey [Harpurhey] gothersweke Gorton Denton openshawe keyrsley e[t] horwich in Socagio et p Reddit lvij^{s} p Annū &c.

The Jury dothe orderr that John Gee shall make a throughe fayre [thoroughfare] or plattynge[1] that the water may have his [its] course from Alport Stele [stile] to the dyche there and so throughe the dyche anenst a certayne ffelde there and also to Sclance [cleanse] the said Diche at all tymes that the water maye haue his course into the diche betwixt Alport parcke[2] and the Landes of John Tetlowe on this side and before the feast daye of Penticoste next cōmynge sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d}

The Jury dothe orderr also that Robart Holme shall make a nysshew [an issue] for the water that comethe from Barlowe crosse[3] so that the same may passe throughe throughe (*sic*) a certayne ffelde of his now in the holdinge of George Romsdene betwixte this and whitsondaye next comynge Sup pena iij^{s} iiij^{d}.....mĩa [*misericordia.*]

Itm the Jury dothe order that Thomas Hide shall make or cause to be made a concours for the water to pass awaye by his yate [gate] there that yt maye haue his right Concourse betwixt this and the said feaste of Penticoste next cōmynge sub pena ... iij^{s} iiij^{d}

It. the Jury dothe order that Edwarde Bibbye shall mende hys prevey or cause the same to be amendet in suche maner and sorte so that yt shall not be noysome nor hurtfull to maistres Becke[4] widoe nor to hir ffolks nor anye annoyance to her Garden on this side and before the feste daye of the Natyuytie of Saincte John Bap^{te} [June 24] next ensuynge sub pena ... ... iij^{s} iiij^{d}

Itm the Jurye dothe Order that Nicholas Shalcrosse shall close and make cleane a gutter at his howse betwixte a kitchin of hys and a kytchin now in the holdinge of Edmounde Twyforde from the vpp end to the Lowerr Ende of the gutt^{r} afore the feaste of Seinct John Bap^{te} next ensuyng sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d}

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[1] A local word for a small bridge.

[2] Alport Park was situated on the south side of Manchester, the southern end of Deansgate being then called Alport Lane. It belonged at this time to the Earl of Derby, who had a residence there. Leland, in his Itinerary writing, *c.* 1536, says: "I saw Mr. Prestwiche's place on the left hond over Irwell, whereby the Lord of Derby hath a place and a Parke caulled Alparte Parke. Here about I passed over Medlock river and so within lesse than a mile to Manchestre."

[3] In a deed dated 1721 there is a curious reference to Barlow Cross, as follows:—"All that messuage and tenement in the parish of Manchester, near the lanes and highways leading from the town of Manchester towards the Ancoats, and also towards Newton, commonly known by the name of Barlow Cross."

[4] Mistress Beck was probably the mother of Robert Beck, mentioned on p. 32. Her will, dated 17th June, 1578, has been printed by the Chetham Society (*Lanc. & Ches. Wills*, ij., 257).

Qui dicunt et presentant super Sacrum suū that Robarte Hindeley[1] gent whiche did holde of this maner one messuage w^th^ thappurtennes in haspull [Aspull, near Wigan] now or late in the tenure of Roger Higham by knights S^r^uyce and the Rent of ij^d^ ob. [2½d.] and ys wurthe by yere ouer all reprises x^s^ and that the same Robarte dyed the xxj^th^ daye of nouember laste paste [1556] And that Hughe Hindeley ys sonne and next heire of the said Robarte and ys of thage of iiij yeres and more.

Et dicunt et presentant that Rauff Haughton of haspull [Aspull, near Wigan] whiche helde of thys maner one Capitall messuage in haspull called kyrkleys and dyuers other messuage[s] Landes and tenements in haspull withe thappurtennes by knights Service and that he died aboute the xij^th^ of October [1556] and that one Rauff Houghton sonne of John Houghton late sonne of the said Rauff Houghton deceased ys Cosin and next heire of the said Rauff Haughton deceased and ys of thage of xiiij^t^ yeres.[2]

Itm we ffinde that there was a Rent of xviij^d^ dewe to the lorde of this mano^r^ out of the Towneshipp of westhaughton whiche ys withe drawen [In the margin :—Mr. Browne of Westhaghton].[3]

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[1] Robert Hindley, of Hindley Hall, near Wigan, gent., was the son of Hugh Hindley, of the same place, the descendant of an old family long seated there. He married Alice, daughter of William Parr, of Parr, co. Lanc., by whom he had three sons—Hugh Hindley, son and heir, who died, s.p.; Gilbert Hindley, second son, who also died, s. p.; and Roger Hindley, third son, who married and had issue.

[2] This Ralph Haughton or *Houghton*, the younger, of Kirklees, gent., married Ellen, daughter of Roger Bradshaw, of the Haigh, co. Lanc., Esq. She was living in 1592.

[3] Probably James Browne, of Westhoughton, Esq., who was living in 1568.

[Manchester.] [30th Sept., 1557.]

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Cur cum Visu ffraunc pleg tent ibm Coram Edwardo com̃ Derbie senescallo ibm tricesimo die Septembris Annis regnor̃ dnor̃ Phillippi et Marie dei gr̃a rege et regine Angl hispaniar̃ ffraunc vtriusq; Cecilie Jerusalem et hibernie fidei defensor archiduc austr̃ duc burgundi Mediolani et Brabanc comit haspurg fflandr et Tirolle Quarto et Quinto [1557].

Inquic capt̃ p Sacrament	Laurentius Langley Jur̃	Georgius byrom Jur̃
	Richardus Hunt Jur̃	Georgius Proudeloue Jur̃
	Richardus Awen Jur̃	Radus Pedley Jur̃
	Thomas Jacson Jur̃	Petrus Cowopp Jur̃
	Robarte Oldom Jur̃	Johes Harte Jur̃
	Robarte Marlerr Jur̃	Richardus Blomeley Jur̃
	Thomas Syll Jur̃	
	Rogerus kenyon Jur̃	

Officiar Mamceſtr

Borrowe Reve	Richarde Awen
Catchepoll	William Reade
Cunstables	Alexander Massie George proudeloue
Markethe lokers for Corne ...	Thomas Riddilstons George Traves Willm Baguley Elys Costerdyne

Market lokers for ffysshe and fflesshe...	Rauff Baylye[1] Willm Wharnebye Jur̄
Myse leyers	Robart[2] Langley William Radclyff
Myse gatherers	William Harde[y][3] Richard brownesworde
Selers of letherr...	Robart Radclyffe John Drap̄ [Draper] Jur̄[4]
Marked lokers for whyte meate	John Spencerr George Thorpe Rauff Orcharde John Verey [crossed out]
Ale ffounders	Nicholas Sheparde Thomas Yonge } [crossed out]
birlamen for Marketstede lane...	Adam Gee [crossed out] Olyuer bowrehowse
Birlamen for Denysgate ...	William Harrope Thomas Barlowe [crossed out]
Birlamen for Wethingreve and hangynge dyche	John Debdale Christoferr hasilgreve
Birlamen for milnegate	Thomas Ryle Robart Chetam
Scevingers for markethstede lane	George Pendilton Thomas Jacson
Scevingers for Denysgate ...	Edmounde Diconson EdwardeReddyett[crossed out] Edmound Blomeley
Scevingers for Saincte mary gate and tholde marketh stede ...	George Chollerton carpēt [carpenter] William Radclyff
Scevingers from the boothes to the Smethie doore	kirstar grant[5] Rauff Pedley [crossed out]
Scevingers from ffenelstrete to the Scole howse	Hughe Throp Otuell Johnson John Durnynge } [crossed out]
Scevingers for the Smethie doore	John Houghton
Scevingers for Mylnegate ...	Edmounde Nuugent John Pedley

[1] Hugh Heyton crossed out.
[2] Laurence crossed out.
[3] Robart Raulynson crossed out.
[4] Rauff Holynworthe crossed out.
[5] Probably Christopher Grant.

ffor the makinge clene of the markethstede	Perys batersbye Nicholas Robinson [crossed out] Harye Rediche
Scevingers for the meylegate and hanging Dyche	Robart marlar[1] Robart grenhowgh[2]
Afferator huius Curie	Willmus Radclyff Peter Cowopp Richard Brownesword Thomas Jacson
Praysers	Thomas Holte Rauffe billinge [crossed out] George werall

[1] The names Rauff birche and Nicholas Sidall are crossed out.

[2] That is Greenhalgh.

Ordinac fact p Burgenc mamceſtr Et ſequit.[1]

The Jury dothe present that Robart Barlowe sonne and heire of Richarde Barlowe is at Laufull age to be Burgꝑ and shall Doe his ffealtie and Servyce to the Lorde of this manoure according to the auncyent Custome.

The Jury dothe present that Jamys Gilliam of ffelyswurthe [Failsworth] by a purchase hadd of Thomas bradford of felyswurthe of thenherytance of mergaret doughter and heir of Laurens Elcocke Late of mamchestr deceased, now the said Jamys Gilliam hathe cōmen in the Lordes courte and become tenante to the Lorde of this manour paying by yere vj^{d} and doinge suche dewties and Services as ys dewe and accustomed to be done for the same.

The Jury aboue said dothe prēnte [present] that Thomas Hyde[2] gent hathe not clensed a certayne Diche of his at the sewde hill [Shudehill] according to an Orderr thereof made *ido in mia*[3] iij^{s} iiij^{d}

The Jury dothe orderr that the said Thomas Hyde shall Diche or cause to be dyched the same soe that the said course of waterr may easelye passe throughe at the yate there and the same to be done afore the feaste of Saincte martyn the busshopp [Nov. 11] next ensuynge sub pena vj^{s} viij^{d}

The Jury dothe prēnte that william Edge hathe not kepte cleyne the ffore ffronnte afore his doore accordinge to an orderr thereof before made *ido in mia* v^{s}

Ordinat est p ipōs that the said willm Edge shall make clene or cause to be made clene the Strete afore his doore from tyme to tyme according to the order thereof made Sub pena vj^{s} viij^{d} *Done.*

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[1] Orders made by the burgesses of Manchester as follows.

[2] This Thomas Hyde, gent., was probably the second son of Thomas Hyde, of Urmston, co. Lanc., Esq., and had settled in Manchester.

[3] *Ideo in misericordia* iij^{s} iiij^{d}—that is to say, and is therefore at the mercy of the lord to the extent of 3s. 4d.

Ordinat est that no breade Sellers shall stande to sell breade in the Strete from the corner of the Shopp now in the holdinge of John houghton to the churche Style [stile]. Yt ys further ordered that all and euery of theme so offending from tyme to tyme the offycers for the same appointed at euery tyme soe offendinge shall take one peny wurthe of their breadthe (*sic*) and dispose the same to the poore.

The Jury dothe orderr that all and euery of theme that do brewe or bake wthin this manoure and towne shall sell thair breade and Ale accordinge to suche weights and measures as the officers shall appointe theme to sell by and to fulfill the same Order from tyme to tyme and euery of theme offending to the contrary to be amercyed according to their deserves [deserts] and trespasse.

The Jury dothe present that there ys a course of waterr cōmyng somtyme from the backside of [the house of] Edwarde Jannye[1] Late of mamch^{r} deceased w^{ch} owe [ought] to have his course and passage ffrom the bacside of the forsaid howse throughe a certayne pale [paling] into the bacside of [the house of] Ric^{d} Shalcrosse[2] late departed and now in tholding [the holding] of Hughe Traves[3] and soe frome thense throughe [or under] the parler nowe in the holdinge of the said Hughe into the Highe Strete fforseing and prouyded alwayes that thaye [or those] dwellinge wthin the howse of Edward Jannye nor any thair familye shall not in any wise flinge downe or caste throughe in the same Gutter or pale any undecente or noysome thinge as pisse boole [bowl] water Nettinge[4] or ffylthe w^{ch} might or shulde be [a nuisance] aswell to theme of the same howse or ploure [parlour] as also [to] the passers throughe the Strete.

The Jury dothe orderr that the waterr cōmyng from the Reade bancke [Red Bank] heade shall have his right Concourse according as yt [is] now appoynted.

[The Records of the two Courts for the year 1558 are entirely missing, but there is no gap in the sequence of the entries in the original volume, the entries for 1559 following immediately after those for 1557 and on the lower half of the same page.]

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[1] See p. 7. [2] See p. 15.
[3] Probably the Hugh Travis mentioned on page 44 *postea*.
[4] Netting, an old word for urine.

Apud mamc[hester].

[29th March, 1559.]

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Cur cum Visu ffraunc Pleg tentm̃ ibm̃ Coram Edwardo Comi̊ Derbie Senescallo ibm̃ Vicesimo nono die mensis marcij Anno regni dñe nr̃e Elisabethe dei gra Anglie ffraunc̊ et hibernie Regine fidei defensor Primo &c. [1559].

Inquic̊o capt̊ p Sacrament viz.:

Richardus Hunte Jur̃
Adamus Pilkington Jur̃
Robartus Hoolme Jur̃
Willmus Radclyff Jur̃
Thomas Jacson Jur̃
ffranciscus Pendilton Jur̃
Richardus Awen Jur̃
Richardus Platt Jur̃
Willmus Ravalde Jur̃
Thomas Syll Jur̃
Robartus marler Jur̃
Robartus Oldom Jur̃
Johes Harte Jur̃
Johes Gee Jur̃
Willmus Hardey Jur̃

M[d] that Elsabethe Gee widoe in the daye aforesaid in the p̃sens of M[r] Alexander Rigbe[1] gent the Jurye aforsaid and all the company there assembled in the great lete courte there And there did Conffesse and declare that John Gee of mamchestre ys her eldeste sonne and her right heire of all and Singuler her landes and Teñts Rents Reuercõns and S[r]vics w[th] thappurtenncs & that she had geven all and singuler her Landes and Tenements & other heredytaments withe thappurtenncs in mamch̃ and Salforde to the said John Gee her eldest sonne and to his heirs and then & there requyred that the said John Gee might be admytted entred and Receyued the lordes Tenante of the said Landes and Tents and other the premysses in mamch[r] & ffrom hensfurthe to serve the Lorde for the same as a Burges there withe Condycon that the same John shulde p̃mytt the said Elsabethe to enioye [enjoy] and occupie the same duringe her lyffe.

ALEXANDER RIGBYE[1]
JOHN GLOVERR.

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[1] Alexander Rigby was probably the Deputy Steward of the Court, who presided in the absence of the Earl of Derby, and John Glover was the Clerk of the Court.

Qui Dicunt sup Sacrum suu et present Robart Hardey sonne of William Hardey of mamchestr to be Burges and Dothe holde of the Lorde of this manor one messuage withe thappurtenauncs Lyeng in mylnegate in the towne of mamch^r aforesaid w^ch he latelye purchased of Rogerr kenyon as by a dede thereof made more plainlye appereth and payethe to the Lorde by the yere vj^d and [is] redye to doe homage and S^rvyce to the Lorde according to the Auncyent and Laudable Custome of this manor. [In the margin:—Robartus Hardey Jurat est dño die et A° supd.[1]]

Et Dicunt et present Richard Galley sonne of Sethe Galley late of mamchestre deceased whiche dothe holde of the Lorde of this manour [blank in original] in mamchestre aforsaid and dothe paye yerely for the same to the Lorde xiiij^d and the daye aboue wryten hathe payd to the Lorde for his haryot & relieff vj^d and [is] redye to doe homage and S^rvyce to the Lorde Scudm &c. [In the margin:—Richardus Galley Jur Dño &c. die & Anno supd ffact est in fac Cur.[2]]

Also the Jury Dothe also present John Walkerr Sonne of Thomas walkerr Deceased to be Burges ffor certayne [blank in original] whiche he holdeth of the Lorde of this manour and payethe to the Lorde yerelye for the same xij^d and hathe payde to the Lorde the daye and yere aboue wryten for his hareot vj^d and ys redye to doe homage and S^rvyce according to the Auncyent Custome &c. [In the margin:—John Walker Jurat est Dño die et Anno sup^rdict.]

Ac eciam presentant that Edward Sydall sonne of Richard Sydall[3] deceased to be Burges and dothe holde of the Lorde one Shoppe withe thappurtenncs in mamch^r nere vnto the Boothes there and payeth to the Lorde yerely for the same vj^d and hathe payed the daye and yere aboue wryten for his hareot vj^d and ys redye to doe homage and S^rvyce to the Lorde accordinge to the Auncyent Custome & to paye hys Releyf. [In the margin:—Edward Syddall Jur' est dño die & Anno sup^rdict' &c.]

Et present that Robarte Langley[4] sonne of Laurens Langley late of mamchestre deceased to be burges for one Tenemente or

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[1] Robert Hardey was sworn to the lord of the manor the day and year aforesaid.

[2] This was done in the face of the Court, or in open Court.

[3] Richard Siddall, of Withington, near Manchester, yeoman, made his will 22nd May, 1558, and died shortly afterwards. His eldest son, Edward Siddall, purchased Slade Hall, in Rusholme, 9th June, 1584, which he rebuilt, and where he died 18th February, 1587-8. Richard Siddall left a wife, Elizabeth; a younger son, Thomas; and five daughters, Alice, Elizabeth, Jennet, Anne, and Ellen.

[4] The will of Robert Langley, of Manchester, gentleman, was proved at Chester in 1606.

Burgage lyeng in mamchestr[1] in the Mylnegate there and payethe to the Lorde yerely for the same xij[d] and hathe paid for his Relieff & hareot and ys redye to Do homag and Sr̃vyce according to the Auncyent Custome &c. [In the margin:—Robartus Langley Jur' est Dño die et Anno suprad̃ &c.]

Itm the Jury dothe present that Rauff pedley syns the laste Courte ys depted [is departed or dead] and Edmounde pedley ys his sonne and heyre and of thage of [blank in original] yeres or there abouts And at the nexte Courte shalbe brought in Burgesse yf there be no laufull Cause to the contrary. [In the margin:—p̃clam in Cur.[2]]

Itm the Jurye dothe presente that George byrom[3] ys departed Syns the laste Courte and that Rauff Byrom ys his sonne and heire and of thage of [blank in original] yeres or there abouts and at the next Courte shalbe brought in Burgesse yf there be no laufull Cause to the Contrary. [In the margin:—p̃cł in Cur'.]

Itm the Jury dothe present that Robart Cleyden[4] syns the laste Courte ys departed And that Rycharde Cleyden ys his Eldest sonne &c.

Itm the Jury dothe present Peterr Cowopp[5] to be departed Syns the last Courte and that Isabell Cowopp ys one of the coeheres to the said Landes and at Laufull age and shalbe presented Burgesse at the nexte Courte yf no laufull cause be Shewed to the Contrarye. [In the margin:—p̃ p̃clam fac in Cur.]

Itm the Jurye dothe presente Richarde Blomeley to be departed Syns the Laste Courte daye and that Elisabeth [Isabell crossed out] ys doughter vnto the said Richarde and next heyre and shalbe presented Burgesse at the next Courte yf we se [see] no Laufull cause to the Contrarye. [In the margin:—p̃ proclam' fac in Cur.]

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[1] "nere vnto the Assheles," crossed out.

[2] Proclamation made in Court.

[3] George Byrom, of Salford, merchant (the son and heir of Adam Byrom, of Salford), married a daughter of Otes Holland, of New Hall, in Pendleton, gent., and had issue, Ralph Byrom, eldest son, aged about 3 years in 1559; a younger son, Thomas; and three daughters, Margaret, Elizabeth, and Isabel. The inventory of the goods of George Byrom, late of Salford, deceased, dated 1558, is preserved at Chester.

[4] See *postea*, p. 53.

[5] Peter Cowopp was the Borough Reeve for 1556–7, appointed 30th September, 1556.

Itm the Jury dothe presente these psons folowinge to be heyrs vnto Mr. Raffe Trafforde of the Garrett esquier[1] and to be brought in Burgesse[s] at the next Courte viz. :—

Gilbarte Gerrard ar̃
Thomas lee [Legh] & Isabel his wiff
Randill Clayton & Thomason his wiff
Hughe Traves and Anne his wiffe
Alyce Trafforde

Test JOH'M GLOUER Clm ibm[2]

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[1] Ralph Trafford, of the Garrett, Esq., was the son and heir of George Trafford, of the Garrett, Esq., descended from Robert de Trafford, the third son of Sir Henry de Trafford, of Trafford, Knt., who died in 1334. George Trafford was married in or before 1509 to Margaret, daughter of Ralph Hulme, of Manchester, and by her had issue, two sons, Ralph and William, and five daughters. He was living in 1524, but dead before 1530; but Margaret, his widow, was living in 1545, if not later. William Trafford, the younger son, died unmarried in 1546, his will being dated 27th December, 1545. Ralph Trafford died, apparently unmarried, but certainly without issue, about 1555 or 1556, and in 1561 his estates were divided among his five sisters and their issue. These are shown (from original deeds, &c.) to have been as follows :—

(*a*) *Jane Trafford*, who married Reginald Downes, son and heir of John Downes, of Overton, in Taxal parish, co. Chester, the marriage settlement being dated 27th June, 1529. She was living in 1566 and 1580, but died before her husband, before 1590, without issue. It would appear that her share of the Garrett estate was acquired by *Sir Gilbert Gerrard, Knt.*, Master of the Rolls, &c., *temp.* Elizabeth, whose descendants possessed Garrett Hall, and who always, as here in the text, is mentioned as one of the heirs at law of Ralph Trafford, Esq. He certainly was not heir by marriage, and as his name takes the place of Jane Downes at this time, 1559, he must have obtained possession of her lands, &c., before then.

(*b*) *Isabel Trafford*, who married before 1545 *Thomas Legh*, of the East Hall, High Legh, co. Chester, Esq. He died in 1589, leaving issue by her.

(*c*) *Alice Trafford*, who married after 1545, but before 1561, Thomas Nowell, son and heir of Roger Nowell, of Read, co. Lanc., Esq., but she appears to have had no issue, certainly no surviving male issue, by him. She was buried at Manchester as his widow on 14th January, 1590–1. At this date, 1559, she was unmarried.

(*d*) *Anne Trafford*, who married in or before 1545 Richard Shalcross, of Manchester, by whom she had issue, James Shalcross, living in 1573 (see p. 15). She married (2) before 1559, *Hugh Travis*, whose widow she was in 1561, and (3) John Marler, of Manchester, to whom she was married before September, 1562. She was dead in 1573.

(*e*) *Thomasine Trafford*, who was married after 1545, but before 1559, to Randle Cleyton or Clayton, and had issue, John Cleyton, of the city of Bristol, draper, her "son and heir," living in 1578. She was a widow in 1561.

[2] Witness John Glover, clerk [of the Court] there. John Glover appears to have continued clerk of this Court for several years. He was largely employed in drawing up deeds and conveyances relating to property in Manchester, his characteristic signature and mark being frequently met with on such documents.

[Manchester.] [4th Oct., 1559.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu franc pleg tent ibm iiij° Die mensis Octobris Anno regni Elizabeth dei grā anglie ffrauncie et hibernie regine fidei defensor Primo Coram Edwardo Comit Derbie Senescallo ibm [1559].

Inquis capt p Sacrament vz.

Ricus Hunt Jur
Adamus Pilkiton Jur
Robartus Holme Jur
willm[s] Radclyff Jur
ffraunciscus Pendiltō Jur
Johes Gee Jur
Thomas Jacson Jur
Ricus Awen Jur
Ricus Platt Jur
willmus Ravalde Jur
Thomas Sill Jur
Robart[s] marlerr Jur
Richard[s] Chorlton Jur
Robartus Oldom Jur
Robartus Langley Jur
Rogerus Kenyon Jur
willmus Hardie Jur

Offiar noiat pro Vno Anno Vt sequit &c.[1]

Borow reve	Johes Gee Jur
Catche poll	willmus Reade Jur
Cunstables	Randus proudeloue Jur willm[s] Hardeye Jur
markethe lokers for Corne ...	Oluerus Birche Jr Robartus marlerr Jur Thomas Jacson Jur Rogerus Bexwicke Jur
markethe lokers for ffisshe and fflesshe...	Robartus wharnebie Jur willmus wirrall Jur

[1] Officers named [or appointed] for one year as follows, &c.

Myse layers	willmus Radclyff Jur̃ ffraunciscus Pendilton Jur̃
Myse gatherers	willmus Baguley Jur̃ Antonius Sheparde Jur̃
Sealers of Lether	Johes Draper Jur̃ Henricus Diconson Jur̃
market lokers for whyte meate	Johes Spencer Jur̃ Antonius Hygen Jur̃ Rauff orcharde
Ale Coyners[1] ats ffounders ...	Olyuer Glouerr Jur̃ Richardus Ramshay Jur̃
Birlamen for the markethsted lane	Edwarde burtinshaw Jur̃ Johes Derbyshire Jur̃
Birlamen for the [Denys]gate ...	william Harropp Jur̃ Johes wright Jur̃
Birlamen for the withingreue and Hanginge Diche... ...	John Sydall Jur̃ William Sclaterr Jur̃
Birlamen for the mylne gate ...	Robartus Kyrshawe Jur̃ Petrus Shalcrosse Jur̃
Scevingers for the markethstede Lane	Johes Gee Jur̃ Thomas Jacson Jur̃
Scevingers for the Denysgate ...	John Glouerr Jur̃ John Smythe Jur̃
Scevingers for the olde market stede & Saynct mary gate ...	willmus chollerton Jur̃ Georgius Chollerton Jur̃
Scevingers from the Bothes to the Smethie doore	Christoferus Grante Jur̃ Oliuerus Diconson Jur̃
Scevinger for the Smethie dore	Nicholas Bexwicke Jur̃
Scevingers from the ffenell strete to the Scole howse	Hugo Thorpe Jur̃ Elizeus Costerdyne Jur̃
Scevingers for the Mylne gate ...	Georgius Proudeloue Jur̃ Jacobus wilde Jur̃
Scevingers for the Hanginge Diche and melegate	Robartus marlerr Jur̃ Robartus Grenealghe Jur̃
ffor the makinge clene of the marketh stede...	Henricus Reddiche Jur̃ Richardus Grey Jur̃
Afferator Curie	Richardus Hunte Jur̃ Robtus Holme Jur̃ Robart Langley Jur̃ ffraunce Pendilton Jur̃
Preysers	Thomas Holte Jur̃ Edward Hanson Jur̃

[1] Ale coyners or conners, otherwise ale-tasters. (See p. 3.)

Qui dicunt sup Sacr̃m suũ that Jamys Holme of Deaf Hulme [Davy Hulme] gent[1] ys departed syns the laste Courte and that Jamys Home his sonne ys his heire and at Laufull age And that he shalbe presented in his owne ꝑson at the next courte &c.

Also that Richarde brownesworde ys dep̄ted [is departed or dead] synce the Laste courte And Richard brownesworde his sonne ys his heire and vnder age & at the next Courte shalbe so presented vnlesse thay see any Laufull cause to the contrarye. [In the margin :—ꝑ ꝑclamac scd̃m ordinē Cur̃[2].]

And that George Devyas ys dep̄ted and that John Devyas ys his heire and at Laufull age and shalbe brought in Burgesse the next Courte yf we se no Laufull cause to the contrarye. [In the margin :—ꝑ ꝑclamacon scd̃m ordinem Cur̃ &c.[2]]

The Jury dothe prẽnte [present] John Harte to be departed syns the Laste Courte daye, And that michaell harte is his heire and vnder age. And that he shall be soe named and put in the courte Rolles &c. [In the margin :—in Rotul Cur̃ plenius apparet.[3]]

Also the Jury dothe Present Richard Blomeley to be dep̄ted and that Elizabethe his doughterr now wiff to thomas harryson is his heire And at Laufull age, So that the same Thomas harrison her husbande in her right ys & shalbe redie to be made burges And to do his dewtie to the lorde according to the Custome....*fact est.*

Also the Jury dothe Present Robarte Sydall Sonne and heyre of Genet Late wiff of Nicholas Sidall to be herr heyre after her Decease by hir consent of all her Landes And Richarde hoope shalbe Sworne to doe the Lorde Sʳuyce During her Liffe &c..... *non adhuc fact.*

Ricardus hoope Negaꝓ in facꝓ Cur̃ ideo &c. respectuaꝓ anꝓ ꝓxm̃ &c.[4]

Also the Jury dothe prẽnte that Richard Siddall[5] ys dep̄ted whiche holdethe of the Lorde of this maner certayne Landes in moston, And Thomas Siddall his sonne is his heire of the same

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[1] Little appears to be at present known of the family of Hulme, of Davy Hulme. They did not enter at any of the Lancashire Visitations, and no pedigree of the family is believed to be extant. The will of another James Hulme, of Davy Hulme, dated 1613, is preserved at Chester.

[2] By proclamation according to the order of the Court.

[3] As more plainly appears in the rolls of the Court.

[4] This appears to mean that Richard Hoope denies before the Court that it is so, or that he will do as stated in the text.

[5] By his will dated 22nd May, 1558, Richard Siddall, of Withington [previously referred to on p. 42], bequeathed his lands in Moston to his younger son Thomas, who is here returned as heir to those particular lands.

Landes in moston and is under Age wherefore we will he shalbe presented at the next Courte and be so Entred accordinglie &c.

Itm the Jury dothe prẽnte John Reddiche[1] esquier to be dep̨ted and that John Reddiche sonne of Oot̨ Reddiche ys cosyn [or next of kin] and heire of the said John Reddiche deceased and at Laufull age And at the next Court Owe [ought] to present hymselffe accordinglie &c.

Also the Jury dothe present that katheryn late wiffe of Hamnet massie ys departed syns the Laste courte daye And that Rondulphe massie her sonne is her heire and at Laufull age and Redie at this present to take his Oothe and do the Lorde Servyce according to the custome of this manor &c.....*ffact &c.*

Also that Henry Radley of mamchestre ys dep̨ted syns the Laste Courte daye who did holde Landes of the Lord of this maner in mostone And that Rauff Radley ys his sonne and heire and vnder age And so redie to be presentted accordinglie &c. And be so noted in the Courte Roll.....*ffact est.*

Itm the Jury dothe prẽnt that Elyzabethe late wiff of wiłłm Birche ys deceassed who did holde certayne Landes in mamch[r] of the Lord of this manerr And that George birche ys hir sonne and heire And at Laufull age And shalbe so brought in at the next Courte accordinglie &c.....*ffact est.*

Itm that Myles Gerrarde[2] esquier ys dep̨ted Syns the laste court daye that william Gerrarde ys his heire and at Laufull age And owethe Suyte and Service to this courte And so at the next Courte to be presented &c.

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[1] John Reddish, of Reddish, Esq., was the son and heir of Otes Reddish, Esq., with whom the pedigree entered at the Lancashire Visitation of 1567 commences, although the names of the earlier members of this old local family are now known. He married Clemence, daughter of Robert Worsley, of Booths, co. Lanc., Esq., and had issue, Otes (his son and heir), Robert, Alice, and Lucy. Otes Reddish married Alice, daughter of Ralph Prestwich, of Hulme, Esq., and had issue five sons and three daughters. He died before his father, and his eldest son, John Reddish, became heir to his grandfather. He married Margaret, one of the daughters and co-heirs of Sir Robert Langley, of Agecroft, Knt., and had issue. From the Inquisition *post mortem* of John Reddish, of Reddish, Esq. (the grandfather), he appears to have died seised of the manor of Reddish and lands there, and in Over Heaton, Heaton-super-Faughfield, Heaton Norris, Manchester, Ashton, and Crumpsall.

[2] Miles Gerrard, of Ince, Esq., was the son and heir of Thomas Gerard, of Ince, Esq., his mother being Maud, daughter of Sir Richard Bold, of Bold, co. Lanc., Knt. He married Jane, daughter and co-heir of William Heyton, of Birchley, co. Lanc., Esq., and had issue a son and heir, William Gerard, referred to in the text. The latter married Jane, daughter of Sir Alexander Osbaldiston, of Osbaldiston, co. Lanc., Knt., by whom he had issue. The Inquisition *post mortem* of Miles Gerard, Esq., shows that he died seised of the manors of Ince-in-Makerfield and Aspull, and messuages and lands there and in Pemberton, Wigan, Abram, and Hindley.

Also that Rauff Assheton[1] esquier ys dep̄ted syns the Laste Courte daye And that Rauff Assheton his sonne is his heire and at Laufull age And oweth Suyte and Servyce to this Courte And so at the next courte to be presented.

Also the Jury dothe present that John bamforde ys departed Syns the Laste courte & that Anne bamforde ys his doughterr and heire and underr Age And so at the next courte to be prēnted &c.

The Jury dothe present that william bradshawe of haspull ys dep̄ted [or dead since the last Court]

Peterr Anderton ys dep̄ted
Roger Hindeley ys departed
Robart Hindeley ys departed
william Singulton ys departed[2]

The Jury dothe prēnte that william browen [Brown] late of mamchestre ys deceased and that Stephen browen ys his sonne and heire and at Laufull age And redie to doe the Lorde S'uyce and to take his Oothe accordinglye &c.....*ffact est.*

[1] Ralph Ashton, of Great Lever, Esq., descended from the Ashtons of Middleton, married Eleanor, daughter of Adam Hulton, of the Park, co. Lanc., Esq., by whom he had a large family. His son, Ralph Ashton, who had become heir to his father by the death, without issue, of his elder brother Adam, married Margaret, daughter of William Orrell, of Turton, Esq., and had issue.

[2] It is a matter of regret that the heirs of these persons are not recorded.

Ordinacoes fact per Burgens'.

The Jury dothe Orderr that no maner of person or persons within the towne of mamchestre, kepinge wyne Ale or beare to Sell shall from hensfurthe kepe any vnlaufull gamynge in thair howses vpon peyne to forfayte accordinge to the Statute[1] &c. [In the margin:—dyse & cards in Alehowses.]

The Jury dothe Orderr that the Swyne Coote afore the howse [of] M^rs Gee in the Denisgate latelie made by Robart Raulynson Deceased shalbe removed and taken awaye & no moe suche thinge to be there but in some convenyent place wheare yt shall not be noysome to the passers throw the Strete there ner neybors there Dwellinge and the same to be taken awaye on this side and before the feast of Sainct martyn the busshop [Nov. 11] next cōmyng sub pena iij^s iiij^d.....*ffact est.*

Also that Elizabethe late wiff of Richard brownesworde shall remove and take awaye a Swyne Coote standing in the markethestede Lane before the feaste of Sainct martyn the busshop in winter [Nov. 11] next cōmynge sub pena iij^s iiij^d

Also all others Swyne Coots within the towne to be removed So that thaie nor any of theme be not noysom to the passers by in the Strete Sub pena to euery one the honers [owners] thereof iij^s iiij^d w^ch [is] to be done afore the said feaste &c.

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[1] Gaming in public-houses was expressly prohibited by the statute of the 33rd Henry VIII, 1541. As Wilkinson, in his instructions how to keep a Court Leet, expressly states:

"Also you shall inquire if any Alehouse-keeper or other person do keepe any vnlawfull games in his or their house or houses or elsewhere, as cards, dice, tables, loggets, quoits, bowles, or such like, in this case the house-keeper loseth for euery day forty shillings, and euery player vj^s viij^d for euery time.

"Also Constables ought to search monethly for such vnlawfull games and disorders in ale-houses vpon paine of fortie shillings, and they may arrest such as they find playing at vnlawfull games, and commit them to ward vntill they put in sureties not to play any more at any vnlawfull game.

"No man may play at any vnlawfull game insatiably, vnlesse hee can dispend C. li. p an [£100 *per annum*] in lands, fees, or offices, for life at the least: and hee may not play neither in any open place where euery one that will may see him, but in his house, or in his Orchard or Garden, vpon paine of 6s. 8d. for euery time. Except in the Christmas time; for then all men may play. 33 H. 8."—(John Wilkinson's *Coroners and Sheriffs and Keeping a Court Leet, &c.*, 1638, pp. 117b, 118.)

Also the Jury dothe Orderr that all suche boochers [butchers] what so euer thay bee as haue any fflesshe to Sell in the markett And do ssoyle the Strete withe hornes or suche like ffylthe shall ymmediatlie make yt cleane or cause the same to be made Cleyne from tyme to tyme Sub pena every tyme so offendinge ... ... iiij^{d}

Also that no maner person or persons what so everr thae bee shall in no wise tye thair horses mares or cattells to the Entente to beate [bait] or ffodder theme in the Stretes there before any mans howse, or Shopp, to be hurtfull or noysom to any the neybours or dwellers there, Sub pena, euery horse or mare we meane the honers [owners] thereof euery tyme so offending one Penye, to the Officerr called Catchepoll, And further to be amersed or Cessed [assessed] at the Lordes Pleasure.

Also the Jury dothe Orderr that no maner of person or ꝑsons within the towne of mamchestre shall not kepe any Swyne from or after the feaste of Sainct martyn the bysshoppe [Nov. 11] next cõmynge, to goe abrode in the Strets vnless yt be to dryve theme yimediatlye to the Coote [cote], or from the coote sub pena for euery Swyne 1^{d} we meyne the honers [owners] thereof to paye to the catche Poole 1^{d} for every Swyne so knowen and to be Amercyed and Sessed [assessed] further at the Lordes pleasure.

Also the Jury dothe further prẽnte [present] that Gilbart Culchethe[1] ys depted Syns the last Courte daye and that John Culche[the] ys his heire, and ought to doe his Service to the Lorde and to prẽnte hym Selffe at the next Courte daye accordinglie &c.

The Jury dothe present that John Cowopp ys departed and that John berdisley in the right of mergaret his wiffe and Isabell Colynson are heyrs to the said John Cowopp and are heere redie to do their Servyce to the Lorde accordinglie and to [be] made burgesses. .....*ffact est.*

Also the Jury dothe present that thay know none that Dothe Brewe or Bake, Ale and breade but thaye breake the Assise contrary or againste the Statute, wherefore thaie do prẽnte [present] euery of theme to be offenders therin id̃ &c.

Test JOH'M GLOUERR cl̃m iõm.

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[1] Gilbert Culcheth, of Culcheth, Esq., was son and heir of Oliver Culcheth, Esq. He married Margaret, daughter of John Holcroft, of Holcroft, Esq., by whom he had two sons, John and Gilbert, and six daughters. John Culcheth, his son and heir, married Cicely, daughter of Sir Thomas Southwarth, of Samlesbury, co. Lanc., Knt., and had issue.

[Manchester.] [18th April, 1560.]

Cur cum Visu [franc] Pleg tent ibm xviij° die mensis Aprilis, Anno regni Elizabeth dei gra anglie ffrauncie et hibernie regine fidei defensor Secundo &c. Coram Edwardo Comit Derbie &c. [1560]

Inquico capt p Sacrament	Ricus Hunte Jur	Thomas Jacson Jur
	willm Radclyff Jur	Richardus platt Jur
	ffraunciscus Pendilton Jur	Thomas Sill Jur
	Ricus Awen Jur	Robartus Oldom Jur
	Thomas Tetlowe Jur	Edwardus Sidall Jur
	Georgius proudeloue Jur	Ricus Galley Jur
	Johes Gee Jur	Thomas Harrison Jur

Qui dicunt super sacrm su that willm Ravalde[1] ys deceased syns the last courte and willm Ravalde ys sonne and heyre vnto hym and of thage of xx yeres and aboue and ys redie to make his ffealtie and do his homage and paye his Relyeffe x^s

Et dicunt that the Catche poole hathe not done his dewtie concernynge the Swyne according to the orderr before in that case prouyded.

Et Dicunt that all bakers and brewers within this manerr hathe offended and broken the Assise ido.

Et dicunt that the birlamen of the Denisgate haue not Done thair dewtie accordinglie... ... ...*ido in mia*... ... ...iiij^d

[1] A family of the name of Ravald was for some generations settled at Kersal, in the parish of Manchester. The will of Robert Ravald, of Kersal, yeoman, dated 20th February, 20 Eliz. [1577-8] has been printed (*Lanc. & Ches. Wills*, iij., pp. 43-5). Two of the witnesses to this will are William Ravalde, and William Ravalde of Prestwich.

Et dicunt that Richard Cleyden ys the Eyre [heir] of one howse w^th^ thappurtennes in the towne of mamchestre called Cleyden Hall[1] that he shalbe presented Burges at the next Courte yf there be not sufficient matter shewed here in the courte to the contrarye.

Et dicunt that there ys a Rente of iiij^s^ x^d^ w^th^ drawen from the Lorde Lawarr dewe owt of the Landes of the chantre late in the holding of S^r^ Hughe bridd[2] and Last in the holding of S^r^ wiłłm widdall[3] whiche Landes lye in the towne of mãch^r^ in a place there called the hanginge diche that ys to saye the new taverne withe the tavernes Shoppes and Loftes of the same also one howse in the holding of George Romsdeyn also a howse withe thappurtennes nere to Colyhurste &[4]

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[1] Little is known of the family of the Cleydens, of Cleyden Hall. At the Court Leet held 29th March, 1559 (p. 43), it was returned that Robert Cleyden was then dead, and that Richard Cleyden was his eldest son. At a later period Robert Cleyden, gent., who was buried at Manchester, 9th March, 1578-9, died seised of messuages and lands in Cleyden, Manchester, Tongton, and Middlewood, in the parish of Ashton-under-Lyne, leaving his four daughters co-heirs.

[2] Sir Hugh Brydde, priest, occurs in a lease of land to James Shalcross dated 1518.

[3] William *Wodall*, of the age of 36 years, was the incumbent of the Chantry of the Holy Trinity in the Collegiate Church, Manchester, when it was suppressed in 1548. (*Lanc. Chantries*, p. 54.) Sir William *Woodalle* occurs in 1553 as priest of the Chantry of the Holy Trinity, Manchester, and in receipt of a pension of £5 for his life. (Willis's *History of the Mitred Abbies*, vol. ii., p. 107.) He appears to have died about 1555-6, as is stated in a return dated April, 1574, "Sir Wylliam Wooddall was buried as wee thincke at Eccles aboute eyghtene or Nyneteen yeres last past." (*Lanc. Church Goods*, p. 6.)

[4] an other howse in the holdinge of Jamys Riddilstons, &c., crossed out.

Ordinacoes ffact in Cur Bt ſequit.

Yt is Ordered that Elizabethe Brownsworde widoe shall Remoue and take awaye a Swyne Cote standinge in the markethstede Lane before the feaste of Saincte Bartilmewe thappostell [Aug. 24] next cōmynge Sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d}. [In the margin:—ffact est scdm abilit suã.]

Also yt is Ordered that all maner pson or persons having any Donge Hilles in any place of the towne beinge a noyance or Displeasant to the passers by shalbe conveyed aweye eyther ells vsed in suche maner and Sorte as shalbe no Displeasure to the said passers bye on this side and before the feaste of Saincte michaell tharch [Sept. 29] next ensuing Sub pena xx^{s} to euery one so offendinge.

Also yt is Ordered that Thomas Jacson shall make a sufficient Pale or wall for to kepe the donge oute of the Diche now betwixt ffrauncꝑ pendilton and hym and also from the Strete there that yt shalbe no noyance nor displeasure to the neybours and passers bye on this side and before the feaste of Sainct Michaell next cōmynge sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d}

Also yt is like ordered vnder the same peyne that Richard hunte and ffrauncꝑ Pendilton and eyther of them shall Sclannce [cleanse] the diche there afore the feaste of penticost next cōmynge Sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d}

And in like maner that Agnes Raulynson widoe shall Scoure the Diche ffrom ffrauncꝑ pendilton throughe her Crofte.

And in like maner that Jamys whitwurthe and John ffletcherr shall Scoure their diche from the said Crofte to the Strete.

Sub pena to euery one of theme so offendinge iij^{s} iiij^{d}

Also yt is Ordered that Alexander Massie and Rauff Birche shall make clene a Jakes [or privy] in a certayne Gutter there betwixt theme on this side and before the feaste of Sainct George [April 23] next cōmynge and so to kepe the same from tyme to tyme hereaft^{r} sub pena to either of the[m] refusing so to doe iij^{s} iiij^{d}

And also it is ordered that John Chalner [Challoner] gent one of the burges of mamch^{r} shall content and paye yerelie to the Lorde

Lawarr the sōme of vj^{s} viij^{d} for a Cōmen oven[1] whiche he holdethe of the lord Lawarr as yt is thought by the Burgesses and others; Vnles the said John Chalner or his Laufull deputie can and will shew Laufull Evidence to the contrarye, on this side and afore the feaste of Pasche or Easterr whiche shalbe in the yere of o^{r} Lorde 1561.

Also yt is Ordered that the inhabiters within the towne of mamchestre shall make or cause to be made too peyre of Butts[2] that ys to saye the inhabytants vpon the Southe side of the churche to make one peyre of butts in the marketstede Lane, And thenhabitants of the northe side of the churche one other peyre of butts vpō Colyhurste afore the feast of Sainct John Bap^{te} [June 24] nexte comynge, Sub pena to either of theme that make defaute vj^{s} viij^{d}

Also yt ys Ordered that every person and Persons what so everr thay be keping Swyne or having Swyne that hathe gone abrode heretofore and hereafter so proved shall paye xij^{d} And from hensfurthe every one so kepinge Swyne and going abrode in the Strets ffeldes or suche like placs shall forfeyt to the Lorde for every tyme so offendinge after the feaste of thenvēciō of the crosse [the Invention or finding of the Cross May 3] next cōmynge xij^{d}

Teste JOH'M GLOUERR
Cīm ibm

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[1] In the rental of Thomas West, Lord La Warre, dated 1473, the wife of Thurstan Challoner occurs as holding a common bakehouse or oven [*furnum*] in Manchester, at the will of the lord, for which she paid a rent of 6s. 8d. (See *Mamecestre*, by John Harland (Chetham Society), p. 502.) The John Challoner here mentioned was probably a descendant of hers, and there appears to have been a dispute as to the payment of this annual rent. This matter was brought up at the next Court, 10th April, 1561. (See p. 62.)

[2] The butts were for the practice of archery, which had at this time become much neglected, so much so that it had to be enforced by Act of Parliament. By an Act passed in 1541 the inhabitants of every town were to provide butts and to keep them in order under a penalty of 20s. for every three months in which they were deficient, and the inhabitants were ordered to exercise "them[selves] with long bows in shooting at the same and elsewhere in holy-days and other times convenient." As Wilkinson states in his *Court Leet*, referring more particularly to archery, "Also you shall inquire whether euery one have Bow and Arrowes according to the statute or no: for euery man-child from seven yeeres old to seuenteene ought to haue a Bow and two Arrowes, and euery man from seuenteene to threescore ought to haue a bow and foure arrowes vpon paine of vj^{s} viij^{d} for euery default: and parents ought to prouide them for their children, and masters for their seruants with their wages, or else they ought to vndergoe the penaltie thereof."—(John Wilkinson's *Coroners and Sheriffs and Keeping a Court Leet, &c.*, 1638, p. 117b.)

[Manchester.] [2nd Oct., 1560.]

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Cur cu[m] Visꝰ plegꝰ tent ibm Secundo die Mensis Octobris Anno regni regine Elizabethe dei gra Anglie ffrauncie et Hibernie fidei defensor etc Secundo [1560].

Inquico capt p Sacrament vz	Ricus Hunt	Thomas Sill
	willmus Strāgweys	Robartus M'lerr [Marler]
	willms Radclyff	Robartꝰ Oldom
	Thomas birche	Thomas Harrison
	Georgius proudeloue	Edwardꝰ Sidall
	Thoms Jacsonn	Stephanꝰ Browne
	Ricus Platte	Ranulphus massie
	Johannes birche	
	Richardus Hoope	

OFFICIAR FACT PER CUR IBM' QUOD NOIA ET COGNOIA HIC INFER SUBSCRIBUNTR VZ[1]

Borow Reve	Richardus Galley
Catche polle	willmus Reade
Cunstables	Robartus M'lerr [Marler] Georgius Traves
market Lokers for Corne ...	Ricus Hunte willmꝰ Radclyffe Georgius proudeloue Christoferus Grante
market Lokers for ffysshe and flessh	Jacobus wulstencrofte willmꝰ Dysonn
myse Layers	willmꝰ Baguley Georgius Pendilton
myse gatherers	Johes Glouerr Rogerus bexwicke

[1] The Officers made by the Court there, whose names and offices are hereunder written.

Selers of Lether...	Robartus Chetam Petrus bradshay
market lokers for white meate ...	Rogerus Adamson Thomas wrigley willm℘ Vtton Joħes Grenealghe
Ale Coyners[1]	Robartus Garnet Thomas Cunclyffe
Birlamē for the marketh stede lane	Robartus herdman Thomas batesone
Birlamen for Denisgate... ...	Georgius Barloe Thomas hunt senior
Birlamen for withingreve & hanging diche...	Georgius Sydall Hugo purseyloue
Birlamen for the mylne gate ...	Philippus Dalton Richardus kylnerr
Scevingers for the marketstede lane	ffranciscus pēdilton [Pendleton] willm℘ hunte
Scevingers for the Denisgate ...	Edmund℘ Diconson Jacobus Rilstones
Scevingers for the olde marketh-stede & Sainct mary gate ...	Raďus proudeloue Thomas Sill Richard℘ Adlington
Scevingers from the Boothes to the Smethe Dore	Elizeus hall Thomas Aynsw'the
Scevinger for the Smethe dore...	Joħes houghton
Scevingers for the ffenelstrete to the Scole howse & to the Huntys bancke...	Johes blomeley Oliuerus birche Jacobus Adlington
Scevingers for the rest of the mylne gat	milo Gilforde Thomas willot Richardus massie
Scevingers for the hanging diche and mylne gate	milo wilson Richardus hoope Edward℘ hanson
Afferator Curie	willm℘ Strangweys willm℘ Radclyff Thomas birche Robartus Oldom
Praysers	Joħes haughton Robartus Grene
ffor the making Clene of the Marketh Place	Ričus Paynter Richardus Grey

[1] Ale-coyners or conners, used instead of ale-founders. (See p. 3.)

Ordinacoes fact in Cur ibm.

Et dicũnt sup sacrm suũ that any pson or persons within the towne of mamchestr shall not suffer within his howse or otherwise any Carding Dysyng bollinge [bowling] in his or thair Gardyn howse chamber ffildes or Shopp whereto any poore or handie crafts men shall com vnto or resorte sub pena to euery one of theme so offendinge x^{s}[1]

Et dicunt that whereas at the Laste courte yt was ordered that there shuld no Swyne come abrood into the Strets upon peyne to every man so sufferinge the same to go abroode for every swyne so going abrode xij^{d} the premisses notwthstanding they go abrode still therfore we do further order that after the feast of Sainct martyn next [Nov. 11] cõmynge, there shall no Swyne go abrode into the Strets vnless thay be boothe yoked and Ringed and that to be when they Dryue theme of necessitie vnto Collyhurste or some other convenyent place & there kepe theme vntill evenyng that they come into there howses agayne sub pena to every man so offending for every Swyne ij^{s} And that the same shalbe the more dewlie obsued we do appoynte thes psons ensuynge to se the same executed and obsued vz

Richard Hunt gent	Elys Costerdyne
Willm Radclyff gent	Ric Marshall
Anthony Sheparde	John Glouerr
Richard Awen	

Itm wheare there hathe bene contraversie and debate betwixt Jamys Choreton [Chorlton] and Rauffe Radley cõcernyng a wall of stone and pale, yt ys orderedd that Jamys chourton shall make or cause to be made a wall of Stoone whiche shalbe alonge his Lytle howse[2] vnto the Binginge [the building] & cut his Raftres [rafters] hard by the Easynge [the eaves] and Rauff shall set the pale streight frome the mydest of the greate vnto the lytle howse as yt was accustomed and that this be done by theme afore the Natyuitie of christe [Dec. 25] next cõmynge sub pena to auther [other] of theme so offendinge ... ... xl^{s}.....*ffactum est.*

[1] See p. 50.

[2] Little house, a common Lancashire term, used at the present day, for a privy.

Itm yt ys further ordered that John partington shall cause his pryvey nere vnto the boothes Doore to be so occupied and vsed that yt be not noysome or hurtfull nether to the neybours there ner the passers bye ner any noysome hurte or stopp in the Gutter there after the feaste of Sainct martyn the busshop [Nov. 11] next cōmyng Sub pena.....iij^{s} iiij^{d}

Itm yt ys Ordered that neyther George kenrycke ner Jamys Smythe shall not occupie ner vse the Jakes [privy] in the Gutter there, but in [a] barell w^{ch} barell to be Shifted ffrom tyme to tyme when nede shalbe so that yt be [not] noysome ner hurtfull to any pson ffrom hensfurthe sub [pena] to auther of theme so offending iij^{s} iiij^{d}.....*ffactum est.*

Itm yt ys ordered that wheareas Rauff Radley hathe Leyd stones and donge vnto a Jakes of Jamys Chourton [Chorlton] that the said Rauff cause the same to be taken awaye and not hereafter to Lay any there ner so to vse the same sub pena x^{s}.....*ffact est.*

Itm yt ys ordered that whereas Dyvers psons contrary to all good Orderr Do vse to ffodderr their Horses in the marketstede alonge after mens howses and Shoppes, we order that thay whiche be appointed to make cleane the market place shall bringe the Horse so ffoddered vnto the Lordes ffolde vnles the owners thereof agree withe theme to make cleane the same.

Itm yt ys ordered that Robart Holme gent shall cause to be made a sufficient and Lawfull pale from the howse wherin John blomeley now dwelleth unto the howse wherein Thomas wi̅ghall now occupiethe so that the meding [midden] there shall not be noysom to the passers by afore the feast of all Saincts [Nov. 1] sub pena x^{s} *misericordia.....non fact est.*

It. yt ys ordered that George Pendilton shall cause a Donge Hill now in the marketstede Lane to be taken awaye afore the feaste of Symon and Jude [Oct. 28] next cōmyng & to make non suche there hereafter sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d}

It. wheare there was order made concernyng the scoring [scouring] of Diches ffrom the Diche of Thomas Jacson to Jamys whitwurthe yt ys ordered that the same shalbe fullie accomplyshed accordinglie in maner and fourme as yt ys more plainlie in the order for that p^{r}po[se] [purpose] deuysed [devised] afore the feaste of all Saincts [Nov. 1] next cōminge & so to kepe the same frō tyme to tyme sub pena for euery tyme so offending iij^{s} iiij^{d}

Itm yt ys ordered that every boocher [butcher] pedlerr Glouer and Salter and suche like occupiers shall make clene thair Stalles

or standings from tyme to tyme or ellis to paye quarterlie a peny to theme that shall be appoynted to make clene the market wekelie from tyme to tyme.....*ffact est.*

Itm yt ys ordered that no ꝑson or ꝑsons w^th^in the towne of mamch^r^ shall brew to sell vnles they be able to make two honest beddis [beds] and euery of theme shall put furthe of his windoe or some other cōvenient place the Syne of a Hande[1] pentid [painted] afore the feast of Sainct martyn [Nov. 11] next cōmyng sub pena to euery one so offending x^s^

Itm yt ys ordered that all other that do brew to sell and are able to make ffoure honest beddes, shall sett furth a ffayre and cōmendable Signe at thair howses so that strangers and travelers may knowe wheare to Lodge and that this be done on this side and before the feaste of Sainct martyn [Nov. 11] next comynge sub pen[a] to the offendo^r^s xx^s^

Also we do present and declare that John Devias ys sonne and heir of George Devias late Deceased of in and too one barne and too Cotagꝭ with a ꝑcell of grounde next adioynyng whiche Barne howsꝭ and Grounde lyethe in mamch^r^ in the Denisgate there & in the over Ackers and that he ys Burges and shall Do his ffeoltie and S^r^vice to the Lorde at this prēnte [present] according to the Auncient Custome of this Manerr. [In the margin:—Jurat̄ est Dño scdm ordinac' Cur' ꝑ proclamac in fac Cur.[2]]

Test JOH'M GLOUERR.
Clm ibm

[1] At Chester it was formerly customary to hang out a painted wooden hand to show that the market had commenced on market and fair days. This painted hand is now, I believe, in the Museum at Liverpool. The larger inns could, apparently, use what signs their owners liked. Later on it was enacted by this Court that the sign of a hand should only be put forth when the innkeepers had ale to sell, and when they had none the hand was to be withdrawn. (See p. 68).

[2] He was sworn to the lord according to the ordinance of the Court, by proclamation made in open Court.

Apud Mamcestr x° die Ap'lis Anno 1561°. [10th April, 1561.]

Cur cu Visu pleg tent ibm die Jovis vj decimo die mensis Aplis Anno regni regine Elizabethe dei gra anglie ffrauncie et Hibernie fidei defensor &c. Tercio [1561] Cora Edwardo Comit Derbie Senescallo ibm.

Noia Jurator.

Inquico capt p Sacrament } Willmus Radclyff Jur Richardus Hunte Jur Robartus Langley Jur ffraunciscus pendilton Jur Johes Gee Jur Thomas Jacson Jur Willmus Hardey Jur Adame Pilkinton Jur Robartus Oldom Jur Johes Birche Jur Ricus Hoope Jur Rogerus Kenyon Jur Rcus Chorlton Jur Thomas Harrison Jur Ranulphus massie Jur

Qui dicunt sup Sacrm su that Richarde brownesworde ys departed Syns the Laste Courte daye & that Richard brownesword ys his sonne and heire and at Laufull age to be braught in burges and to doe his dewtie to the Lorde and to paye yerelie Six pence of Rente to the Lorde according to the custome and maner of this Lordshipp.

Also that Edwarde Rilstons to be Burges for certayne Landes whiche he hathe purchased of Thomas Sill and to paye yerelie vnto the Lorde for the same xij[d] and to doe his Service and fealtie vnto the Lorde accordinge to the custome of this manerr or lordshipp .....*ffact est.*

Itm dicunt &c. that Hughe Diconson shall be made burges at the next Courte daye for Landes whiche he holdethe of the Lorde Lawarr yf Euydens [evidence] at the next courte daye be not shewed here to the contrarye.....*fact est.*

Itm dicunt that Rauff Gepson [Jepson] of moston ys departed syns the last Courte daye and that Nicholas Gepson ys his sonne and heire and of laufull age to our knowlege and to bring in his Euydence at the next Courte.

Ordinacoes fact in Cur ibm.

In primis yt ys ordered that John Chalnerr[1] or his deputie shall Shewe at the next Courte daye sufficient conveyaunce from the Lorde Lawarr or his officers for the cōmon oven and the waye Leading or going to the same Or ellis yt shalbe laufull for the said Lorde Lawarr or his officers to entre into the same as in his awne right.....*non est factum.*

Itm yt ys ordered that Robart Holme gent shall make or cause to be made a sufficient and Laufull pale or Rale from the howse wherein John blomeley now dwellethe vnto the howse wherein Thomas wighall now occupieth So that the meding there shall in no wise be noysome to the passers bye afore the next courte daye sub pena xx^{s}.....*factum est.*

Itm the Jury dothe Order that Willm Barloe shall make a Signe[2] to set furthe at his howse according to the Order takenn in the Courte afore the feast of Pent [Pentecost] next cōmynge sub pena x^{s}.....*factum est.*

Itm the Jury dothe Order that George wirrall shall make a Signe[2] afore Pent [Pentecost] next cōmynge sub pena x^{s}..... *factum est.*

Itm the Jury dothe Order that Jamys Smythe shall make a Signe[2] afore the same daye sub pena xx^{s}.....*factum est.*

Itm the Jury dothe Order that Robart m^{r}ler [Marler] shall make a Signe[2] sufficiently according to thorder before made afore the feast of Penticoste next cōmynge sub pena xl^{s}.....*factum est.*

Also yt is Ordered that all the Inhabitants of the towne of Mamchestre shall Grinde thair Grenes [Grains] and Cornes at the mylnes belonging to the ffre Scole of mamch^{r} from tyme to tyme and for the mayntenance of the godlie fundacon there according to an orderr before taken in the thrid and fourth yere of Kinge Philipp and quene Mary [1556][3] And yf George Bowker Do Cary

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[1] See p. 55. [2] See p. 60 [3] See p. 30.

any suche Granes & Cornes after this tyme furthe, or any other ꝑson or ꝑsons hereaft^r^ contrary to the said Orderr that thay and euery of theme that so offende to forfayte vnto the Lorde for euery tyme so offen[ding] xx^s^ Vnles thay haue sufficient graunte heretofore made by the lorde or his Auncestours Lorde[s] of this maner.

Itm yt ys Ordered that wheare there ys varyaunce aboute meares [boundaries] Diches and Hedges now in the holding of George proudeloue and Richard Hoope we order that the same shalbe vsed at all tymes hereafter as shalbe appoynted by Richard hunt willm Radclyff Adam Pilkinton & ffraunc̄ Pendilton And the same so made & ordered by theme shalbe put into this Booke of o^r^ regestre by the Clercke of the Courte and all other Varyauncs & greves [grievances] w^ch^ are not at this tyme in memory shalbe likewise ordered and appoynted.

Itm that eūy [every] maner ꝑson or ꝑsons not inhabiting in the towne of mamchestre what soeuer thaie be shall take thair Cattell of & from Colyhurst afore the feaste of Thenvencon of the Crosse [the feast of the Invention or finding of the Holy Cross, May 3] next cōmyng Vnles they haue Euydence to shewe for the same which evidence to be shewed afore the same feast sub pena xl^s^

Itm yt ys ordered that Thomas hide shall Sclence [cleanse] his Diche at the throughfare to his ffilde and so to the annalts Lane whereby the water may haue hit course rightlie afore the feast of Sainct John Bap̄te [June 24] next ensuinge sub pena xx^s^.....*non est fact.*

Itm we Order that Thomas Chaterton shall and will bringe in his Euydence into this Corte at the next Lete and do such ffeoltie as belongith to the custome of this Lordship and so to be made Burgesse and pay his ffee.....*fact.*

Itm yt is also Ordered that John Chetam of Nuthurst gent[1] at the next courte shall bringe in his Evidence into this Courte the Next lete to shew what landes he holdeth [at] will in this maner or Lordshipp and to paye his ffees and do his s^r^vyce accordinglie.

Itm we order that Olyuer Birche shall take awaye a pryvey now being betwixt Roger bexwicke and [his own house] or vse the same in such sorte as yt shalbe no Anoyance to the said Roger or passers by before the feaste of Penticost next cōmynge sub pena x^s^

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[1] See p. 73.

Itm yt ys ordered that Thomas Bateson shall Sclanse [cleanse] a gotterr that yt be no Anoyaunce to George Barloe afore the feast of Penticost next cōmyng sub pen̄ x^{s}.....*factum.*

Itm yt ys ordered that Gervas wholey and M^{r} Jacson and eyther of theme shall amende a Jakes [privy] afor̄ pen̄ [Pentecost] and so kepe yt clene from tyme to tyme so that yt be not noysome to any man sub pena to either of theme so offending or to auther of theme to whome the Amendemente more vnto belongethe sub pena afore penticost x^{s}

Itm yt ys Ordered that no maner pson or psons what so ever thay be shall at any tyme or tymes hereafter make eny Dowbe[1] at the Scole howse ende Vnles thay ynmediatly after the making thereof convey hit away so pena for every tyme so offending ... x^{s}

Itm yt ys ordered that John Spencer shall afore the feaste of Penticost next cōmyng Remove & take awaye a Swyne cote and a pryvey at the howse wherein he now dwellethe so that the same be not noysome to passers bye sub pena x^{s}.....*factum.*

Itm yt ys ordered that Steven browne or his tenante shall eyther remove a pryvey now in the holding of myles wilson or ellis vse the same of suche sorte as yt shall not be noysom or hurtfull to the passers or neybors therebie sub pena x^{s}.....*factum.*

Itm yt ys ordered that a pryvey from hensfurth now or late in the holding of the wiff of Robart Cropperr shall not be vsed and occupied to the noyance of the passers bye sub pena ... ... x^{s}

Itm yt ys ordered that Rauff Birche shall so vse a pryvey now in his holding at the howse wherein he now dwelleth in suche sorte as yt shalbe none annoyance or displeasure to his neybours after the feaste of Pen̄t [Pentecost] sub pena ... ... x^{s}[2]

Itm yt ys Ordered that George Hall shall Sclance [cleanse] the diche and Amende the waye or causey in Newton Lane, according to a gifte and Graunte thereof made vpon his charge and to be amendet before the feast of the Natyvytie of Sainct John Bap^{te} [June 24] sub pena xl^{s}

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[1] Daub, tempered clay for building purposes. (See p. 11.)

[2] In the original Court Book two leaves are inserted here containing entries, which appear to be those for the year 1565, although the date 1569 (probably subsequently added) occurs at the bottom of the second page. These will be found printed in their proper order under the year 1565. The two letters signed by Lord Derby, which are also inserted here in the original book, will also be found in their proper places, under the years 1567 and 1572.

[Manchester.] [1st Oct., 1561.]

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Cur cu[m] Vis [franc] pleg tent ibm die Mercurij vz Primo die mensis Octobris Anno regni Regine Elizabethe dei gra Anglie ffrauncie et Hibernie fidei defensor &c. Tercio [1561] Coram Edwardo Comit Derbie Senescallo ibm

Inquico capt p Sacrament vz	ffranciscus Pendilton Jur	Ricus platt Jur
	Robartus Hoolme Jur	Robartus Oldom Jur
	Ricus Hunte Jur	Willime Hardey Jur
	Willime Radclyff Jur	Thomas Harrison Jur
	Thomas Chaderton Jur	Johes Gee Jur
	Robartus Langley Jur	Stephanus browne Jur
	Georgius proudeloue Jur	Ranulphus massie Jur
	Thomas Jacson Jur	Johes Birche Jur
		Ricus Hoope Jur

OFFICIAR' FACT' P[ER] CUR' QUOR' NOIA ET COGNOIA HIC INFERIUS SUBSCRIBUNTUR VZ[1]

Borow reve	Thomas Haryson Jur
Catche polle	willmus Reade Jur
Cunstables	Willmus Baguley Jur xpoferus Graunt Jur
market lokers for Corne... ...	Antony Sheparde Jur John Haughton Jur Omffray Haughton Jur Mylo wilson Jur
market lokers for ffysshe and fflessh	Robarte wharnbye Jur Willmus Wharnebye Jur
myse Layers	Oliuerus Birche Jur Radus proudeloue Jur
Myse gatherers	Jacobus Riddleston Richardus Haryson

[1] Officers made by the Court, whose names and appointments are hereunder written.

Selers of Lether	Andreas Raynsha[w] Robartus Radclyffe
market lokers for white meate ...	henry Adamson Robertus wulstencr[oft] Edwardus Birtins[haw] xpoferus Atkinson
Ale Coyners	Edmoundus Vngent[? Nugent] Jacobus whitwur[th]
Birlamen pro markethstede lane.	willims Stregfelowe[1] Jur̃ Thomas Byspam Jur̃
Birlamen for Denysgate ...	Johnes Grenealghe Jur̃ Robartus wilde
Birlamen for withingreve and hanging Diche	Johnes Sidall Jur̃ Willims Sclater Jur̃
Birlamen for the mylnegate ...	Thomas Royle Jur̃ Jacobus Snype Jur̃
Scevinger for the markethested lane	ffranciscus Pendilton Jur̃ Johnes Gee Jur̃
Scevinger for the Denysgate ...	Johnes Davye Jur̃ Thomas Smyth Jur̃
Scevingers for the olde marketh stede & Sainct mary gate ...	willmus Radclyff gen̄[2] Richardus Raynshaye Jur̃
Scevingers from the boothes to the smithye doore	Patricus Malone Jur̃ Jacobus Adlington Jur̃
Scevingers for the ffenel strete to the Schole howse and the hunts Bancke	Elizeus costerdyne Jur̃ Robertus Chetam Jur̃
Scevingers for the rest of the mylnegat	Jacobus choreton[3] Jur̃ Hugo Grene Jur̃ Johnes Drap[4] Jur̃
Scevingers for the hanginge Diche and mylnegate	Robartus marler Jur̃ Georgius wirrall Jur̃ willmus Downe Jur̃
Afferator Cur	Ricus Hunte gen̄ Jur̃ Robartus Holme gen̄ Jur̃ ffraunciscus Pendilton Georgius Proudeloue Jur̃

[1] Strengfellow.

[2] This shows that the "Scavengers," appointed at these Courts, had only to see that certain places or districts were kept clean, as has been suggested on p. 4. William Radcliffe, gent., who was the son of James Radcliffe, of Manchester, lived near the Conduit (which, as already noted, was situate in the old market place), in a house subsequently known as the Pool Fold.

[3] Chorlton. [4] Draper.

Praysers	George Traves Jur̃ Edmundus Diconson Jur̃
ffor the making clene of the markethestede	Richardus Painter Richardus Greye
Scevingers for the Smethy Doore	Johnes Haughton sadler Johnes Garnet Jur̃

Also yt ys agreed that Proclamacon shalbe hadd upon the behalff of George Birche vz: yt [namely that] the said George shalbe broughte in Burges at the next Lete corte yf no sufficient Euydence can be shewed in this courte to the contrarye. [In the margin:—for one Burgage purchased of Adam Hollande, & other landes purchased of John berdisley & the one heir of pet̃ cowopp.]

Also we do prẽnt [present] Henry Gee sonne of John Gee deceased, to be right heire of too Burgags in Mamchestre late in the holdinge of Richard Shalcrosse deceased, and shalbe burgesse at this tyme, and Do his ffeoltie and Sute accordinglye, forseinge alwayes that thomas chaderton and Robert Holme too of this Jury Dothe not geve their consent therto &c.

Itm yt ys ordered that no maner person or persons what so ever thay be shall not from hensfurthe cast any Donge ffylthe or mucke vpon or over the hanginge bridge[1] anenst the taverne of Anne Traves widoe sub pena for every tyme so offending iiij^{d} And also that no maner ꝑson or ꝑsons shall in no wise hereafter ride ouer eyther passe or repasse ouer & vpon the same bridge withe Horse or suche like Sub pena for eu̇ey tyme so offendinge ij^{d}

Officers appointed for the same
Nicholas Bexwicke and Thomas Herdman &c.

Itm that no maner ꝑson shall cast any mucke or donge over the churche wall anenst the howse now in the holdinge of Richard Tippinge sub pena for every tyme so offendinge iiij^{d} And further that Richard Tipping from hensfurth or who so occupieth the house late of Richard Brownesworde shall make clene the same [wall] So that yt be not noysom or hurtfull to his neybo^{rs} or passers bye Sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d}

Itm that no maner person or persons from hensfurthe shall not cast eny Donge mucke or ffylthe over the churche wall at the Lodge ende there ner in eny other place aboute the churche wall Sub pena for every tyme so offendinge iiij^{d}

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[1] This clearly shows that the Hanging Bridge was an actual bridge in constant use, and not, as some have supposed, the site of an old bridge.

It. that no maner pson vnlesse he maye dispend xl^{s} [40s.] of ffre holde [by the year] shall kepe eny greyhounde Dogge or biche ner eny hounde or suche like. Sub pena forfat in Statut ind.[1]

Itm the Jury dothe orderr that the wiff of Elys Radclyff and her familie shall suffer willm proudloue to occupie a watteringe pole [pool] belonging to the howse wherein Richard whitell now dwelleth in, from tyme to tyme and at all tymes hereaft^{r} and not to troble the same withe eny Anoyance Sub pena for euery tyme so offendinge iij^{s} iiij^{d} [3s. 4d.]

Itm wheare the orders before made haue not heretofore bene sufficiently puplyshed accordinglye we order the same to be pformed after xl^{ti} [40] dayes next after they haue warnynge thereof eny thing to the contrary notwithstandinge, Sub pena in those orders for Defaute appointed.

Itm yt ys ordered that no maner pson or psons what so ever thay be shall Sell any Ale aboue iiij^{d} [4d.] the galon without the howse and vj^{d} [6d.] within the howse Sub pena ... ... vj^{s} viij^{d} [6s. 8d.]

Also yt ys ordered that those that brewe to sell and kepe no Inne shall haue a Signe of the hande whiche signe so longe as thay haue Ale to Sell shalbe put furthe and when they haue none Ale to sell to take in the hande,[2] And further that they ner any of theme ner those that kepe Innes Deny eny pson or psons of the said Ale for their money accordinge to the order above said having Ale in thair howses to sell sub pe[na] vj^{s} viij^{d} [6s. 8d.]

Also we find that Edmounde Diconson sonne of Hughe Diconson ys heire to margaret late wiff of the said Hughe and ys right Heire of one Tenement and a percell of grounde in the Denisgate and payeth to the Lorde by yere vj^{d} and shall do his ffeoltie at the next Courte. [In the margin:—Edmond Dicōson fil hugoñ iurat̄ est Dño.[3]]

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[1] Under the penalty named in the statute. A statute made in the year 1390, 13 Richard II., is the one here referred to, by which any person, who had not land or tenements producing 40s. a year, or any priest or clerk whose living was under £10 a year, was prohibited from keeping any greyhound or other dog for hunting purposes, or from using nets, ferrets, &c., to destroy deer, hares, or rabbits, under a penalty of a year's imprisonment.

[2] See p. 60.

[3] Edmund Diconson, son of Hugh, is sworn to the lord.

Also that no maner ꝑson or ꝑsons shall make eny Kinde of breade that shall haue any butter minged [mingled or mixed] therein for to sell or to take eny money therefore[1] Sub pena to euery one so offendinge x^{s} [10s.]

Also we order that no maner ꝑson or ꝑsons shall occupie or put in vse any mase net ingynes or Shete netts or beets[2] or suche like whiche is contrary to the Acte in that case prouydet Sub pena to euery one so offending x^{s} [10s.][3]

Also we order that no maner ꝑson or ꝑsons shall cary furthe eny pryvey [*i.e.*, empty any privy] afore x [10] of the clocke at after none, And after foure of the clocke before none. Sub pena for every tyme so offendinge vj^{s} viij^{d} [6s. 8d.]

Also we finde that S^{r} Robert Langley Knight[4] ys departed Since the Last courte day And that maistres Anne Langley [his daughter] ys his heire & shalbe broughte in at the next courte daye.

Test JOH'M GLOUER
Ctm ibm

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[1] This is the first of a long series of entries prohibiting the use of butter, and subsequently of suet, in what were called "short cakes," unless they were made for private use. Officers were subsequently appointed to see that this order was obeyed; but, in spite of their number being raised from two to twelve, there were constant complaints, court after court, and finally, I suppose, the order was allowed to lapse, consequent upon the inability of the Court to compel its observance. It is difficult to understand why it was ever enacted, unless, as has been suggested, because there were only three sorts of bread—white bread or simnell, wheaten bread or wastell, and household bread—allowed by law to be sold by bakers, these short cakes were considered to be contrary to the statute. In 1638 the Privy Council expressly enacted "that any other kinds or sorts of bread," except the three kinds above named, "such as spice-cakes, buns, biscuit, and other spiced bread," were to be prohibited, except for use at funerals, and on Good Friday and Christmas.

[2] A "mase net" is a "mesh net," or a net with fine meshes. "Shete nets" are such as can be "shot" or thrown into the water. "Beets" may be only bait, but it is possible it may mean an addition to a net, for to "beet" a net was to mend it. (A.S. *bétan*.) For this note I am indebted to the courtesy of the Rev. W. W. Skeat, of Cambridge.

[3] This order relates to the taking of fish, and was based upon the statute of the 1st Elizabeth, 1559, entitled "An Act for the preservation of the spawn and fry of fish," which enacted that no nets of any kind were to be used for taking spawn or fry after 1st June in each year. Stewards of all Court Leets were required to bring this statute before the jury under a penalty, and the jury were liable to penalties if they concealed any offences under this Act.

[4] Sir Robert Langley, of Agecroft, Knt., was the last of that old Lancashire family in the direct male line. He left four daughters, co-heirs, of whom Dorothy married John Ashton, of Chadderton, Esq.; Margaret married John Reddish, of Reddish, Esq.; Katherine married Thomas Legh, fourth son of Sir Peter Legh, of Lyme, Knt., and Anne, the "Maistres Anne Langley" of the text, married William Dauntesey, Esq., of West Lavington, co. Wilts, and as she inherited Agecroft Hall, she conveyed it to that family. His Inquisition *post mortem* records that he died seised of the manors of Prestwich, Pendlebury, and Agecroft, and messuages and lands there and in Alkrington, Tetlow, Oldham, Crompton, and Manchester. His will bears date 19th September, 1561.

[1]The Jury dothe prẽnte [present] one Joane marler Spinster and Elizabeth Lorte y[t] there came to the howse of george proudeloue in the Denisgate and there did enter into the same and take awaye certayne chippes without license, contrary to honestie cyvyll order and to the evill ensample of all good people they being forwarned we order therfore the seid Joane & Elizabethe lorte shall haue condigne punnysshement for the same at the Discreacon of M[r] Stewarde aft[r] w[ch] punnysshement the same psons shall knele downe [ac]knowledge their faute [fault] and aske mercy at goddes handes and the seid george.....*fact est.*

We prẽnt [present] George Hollande to be burgesse for certayne Landes late of thenheritans of Richard brownsworde and purchased of the seid Ric and Thomas willot and shall do his fealtie and ꝟuice accordinglie.....*fact est p pclamaco.*

The Jury dothe order that the Hedge late in varyance betwixt Ric Kylner and Henry Adamson shalbe vsed Jointlie, vz. the one halff next the Strete to Henry Adamson & his asignes w[th]out let of Ric̃ and thother halffe to Ric Kylner or the inhabitants there Dwellinge without let &c. Also this order shal [be] contynued and vsed to all those & suche as shall happen hereaft[r] there to inhabite manure [*i.e.*, occupy][2] & dwell [Sub pena] v[s]

We do prẽnt all thos that make defaute y[t] is to say the Knights in ij[s] the squires in xij[d] the gent̃ in viij[d] & the other[s] in vj[d] yf they haue no reasonable cause to showe for their absence.[3]

Also wheareas there ys an order made betwixt thomas willot and Rauff barloe cõcernyng a gutter we order the one halff now enclosed to the strete to be occupied by thomas willot & thother lyeing vpon the bacside of the howses to be occupied by Rauff barloe forseing that eyther of them shall have libertie to and [from] their Howses geveng laufull monycon to thother.....*fact est.*

We finde that Robart Holme hathe repeyred the howses now standinge in the marketh stede lane, accordinge to an order thereof made, and the mud wall there ys yet vndone, and standeth in dowte to vs whether he oughte to doe yt or not, we in that consideracon

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[1] I am not quite sure that these entries rightly belong to this Court. They are numbered to follow those last printed, but there is a blank page between them, and these come on a loose leaf, which might have been misplaced before it was numbered.

[2] "Manure" is the same word as manœuvre. The sense here is to occupy a house. Cotgrave, in his Dictionary, gives "manouvrer, to hold, occupy, possess."

[3] Persons holding lands under the manor of Manchester owed suit and service to the lord of the manor, and it was required of them that they should attend the lord's courts. Those who neglected or refused to do this were to be fined according to their degree.

do order that the seid mudde wall shalbe made sufficiente afore the feast of Sainct michaell th' archangell [Sept. 29] next sub pena xiij^{s} iiij^{d} yf the lawe Do so allowe the same to be done.

The Jury dothe finde thes ꝑsons hath not kepte thorder for the Scystinge of the Jakes[1] *ido in mia quilibit eor*[2] we order y^{t} the same shalbe amended or removed Sub pena for euery of theme so offendinge iij^{s} iiij^{d} citra fest om̃ sanctor̃ ꝑx futur̃[3] & so to be kepte.

vxo^{r} Oliueri crompton ...	xij^{d}	George wirrall	xij^{d}
vxo^{r} Ric. brownsword ...	xij^{d}	John gregory	xij^{d}
Ric. Webster	xij^{d}	Raynold Steleson ...	xij^{d}[4]
vxo^{r} willim Edge	xij^{d}		

Richard tipping for breking thorder concerninge the Donge hill. *ido in mia* ... ... ij^{s} we order there shalbe none leyde there at any tyme hereafter, sub pena to eny dwellinge in that howse iij^{s} iiij^{d}

We order that euery ꝑson and ꝑsons w^{ch} dothe and shall hereafter kepe [an] Ale howse shall not sell any Ale or Drincke in their howse or owte of their howses contrary to the Statute in that case prouided neythe^{r} eny suche shall not Denye eny of their Ale or Drincke to any ꝑson or ꝑsons having nede thereof [on payment for the same] vz. iiij^{d} a galon & not aboue sub pena for euery tyme so offendinge xiij^{s} iiij^{d} thon halff [the one half] to the taker & thother to the lorde & for euery tyme yt shalbe laufull for the taker to recouer the same in this courte by waye of Accon [action] vpon proffe and good evidence shewed.

The Jury dothe order that the order before made concernynge Swyne shall be obs̃ued [observed].

We find that thomas Shaclocke beinge one of the lordes tenants contrary to thorder heretofore made, hath removed Accons [actions] owte of the Lordes courte, *ido in mia* xx^{s} according to the same order, ffurther we order that the said Thomas upon [his ow]ne proper coste & chargs shall and will afore S . . . . . comynge, non sue, or againe . . . . . the sa . . . . . and come in and defende suc̃ . . . . . .[5]

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[1] That is, cleaning of privies or removal of filth. Professor Skeat writes me that "scystinge" is a mis-writing for "scyftinge," *i.e.*, shifting or cleaning out, and that although "skiste" is given in Halliwell's *Archaic Dictionary*, there is really no such word, it should be "skifte," which Halliwell gives from the same MS.

[2] So is at the mercy [of the lord] each one of them.

[3] On this side the feast of All Saints [Nov. 1] next coming.

[4] These names are crossed out:—Richard Steleson, Thomas Asshcton, and Thomas Willot.

[5] Torn and illegible.

[Manchester.] [2nd April, 1562.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu [franc] pleg tent ibm secũdo die mensis aprilis año regni Elezabethe dei gr̃a anglie ffraunce et hibernie regine fidei Defensor &c. quarto coram Edwardo comi$ Derbye senescallo ibm anno 1562.

Richardus hvnt Ju$	John byrche Ju$
Willm Radclyfe Ju$	John gee Ju$
Adam pylkynton Ju$	Robart langley Ju$
ffranc$ pendylton Ju$	Stephen browne Ju$
george prowdloue Ju$	Robart ouldam Ju$
Willm hardye Ju$	Rychard galley Ju$
thomas byrche Ju$	Rychard chorlton Ju$
Rychard plat Ju$	Edward sydall Ju$

The Jure dothe present syr Robart langley[1] to be deptyd [departed or dead] and y^t anne langley hys doughter is his eyre [heir] and of laufull age, and oithe [oweth] to doe the accostomyd seruys [service] to the lord.

Itm y^t george byrche is to be brought in burges for that he hathe bought one p̄t of the landes belonging vnto the coeyres [co-heirs] of John cooppe except one house in the markytstyd nowe in the houldyng of george Kenryg and doe soche seruys [service] as is accostomyd.

Itm y^t Wyllyame Rauald[2] is of laufull age and of Ryght is to be entred burges and doe soche seruys as is accostomyd.

Itm y^e Jure dothe order y^t all thos that keape enye mastye[3] or great bane Dodge [dog][4] or bytche shall not suffer the same to goe abrod vnles they be moseled [muzzled] after thys daye sub pena xij^d

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[1] See p. 69. [2] See p. 52.

[3] Mastye, the old name for mastiff. "A masty dog" is referred to in Hobson's *Jests*, and "masty currs" by *Du Bartas*. (Halliwell's *Dictionary of Archaic Words*, ij., 544.)

[4] A "ban dog," or "band" or bound dog, was one that was kept constantly chained up so as to increase its fierceness. Drayton, in his *Polyolbion*, part ii., p. 134, mentions Lancashire as possessing a "great race of Hounds the deepest mouth'd of all." This breed of dogs, called "the Manchester or Lancashire hound," was nearly extinct in Whitaker's time, who refers to it, and gives an illustration of one at p. 83 of *The Principal Corrections made in the History of Manchester*, 1773, 4to.

Itm y^{t} wheras in the last court it was ordred that none of the inabytanc℘ [inhabitants] w^{t}hin mamchestre shuld put noe butter into ther bred[1] of what kynd some euer hit were in concyderacyone wherof some haue keapt the order and some not therfore we order nowe in lycke maner ther shall noe butter be put into enye kynd of bred onles hit be by soche as dothe macke the same for ther aune house or to gyue ther frend℘ but not to sell agayne ner y^{t} [that] eny baker shall backe enye bred y^{t} [that] hathe butter in to stranger[s] or others vnles as is afforsayd sub pena x^{s} and y^{t} [that] thys be exicutyd we constytute thomas hoult and george barlawe and they to be swarne for thexicutyone therof. [In the margin :—conceřing butter being put in brede.]

Itm that John Chetĥm of Nvthurst gēt[2] and nycolas Jopsone of mostone shall come in at the next court and ther to be entred burges and pey ther Releafe to the lord sub pena. [blank]

Itm y^{t} Rychard brownsworthe shall macke or cause to be made the west end of his house so y^{t} it shall not be hvrtfull vnto the house of Rychard galley and y^{t} this be done affore synt Jhames daye [July 25] next comyng sub pena x^{s} . . . . . for y^{t} he had noe warnyng thys to be done affore crystynmas next sub pena afforesayd.

Itm Roger Bexwicke shall take awaye all suche earthe or gravell as he caused to be layd at the churche wall and also that he lay no more there sub pena ij^{s}.....*factum est.*

And in like maner that John Johnson Richard Cloughe Thomas Hilton the wiff of wiłłm Cloughe ner any other shall not ley eny earthe or myre vnto the churche wall sub pena ij^{s}

Itm that the wiff of Olyver Crompton Richarde ffoxe Thomas Cunclyffe the wiff of Jamys webster ner any other shall not Swepe eny kinde of myre or other thinge that may lett [*i. e.*, stop or hinder] the course of waterr that goithe by the boothes sub pena for euery tyme so offendinge xij^{d}

Itm that John Partington or the tenant dwelling in his howse shall make the pryvey in the Gutterr at the boothes ende So that yt come not downe to the earthe but be kept Close in a barell that y^{t} be not noysome and so kepe the same from tyme to tyme sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d}.....*non est factum.*

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[1] See p. 69.

[2] John Chetham, of Nuthurst, gent , was the eldest son of Thomas Chetham, of Nuthurst, gent., by his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Hopwood, of Hopwood, gent., and the widow of Alexander Lever, gent. He died in 1573, and his will, dated 1557, and proved in 1573, has been printed by the Chetham Society, new series, vol. iii., p. 57.

Itm that all those that haue eny landes [in fee] Simple of eny of the lordes Tenants shall [come] at the next Courte and do suche Seruice [as to] suche tenants dothe apperteyne.

Itm yt ys ordered that when Thomas [torn out] taken [takes] his meding awaye, he the said Thomas [shall do] the same in suche sorte as the neybours there [have] no anoyance ner hurte therebie. Sub pe[na] . . . . . & that the same be taken awaye affore the feast of Saincte michaell [Sept. 29] next . . . . . Sub pena . . . . . *non est factum.*

Itm that all the inhabitans of the towne of ma[nchester] shall not Sue ner procure any Suyte in eny [Court] for any Accon [action] Cause complainte or matter . . . . . vnder the Valew or Some of xl^{s} [40s.] but onelye [in] this Courte Sub pena to every of theme so offendinge x^{s} [?] [In the margin:—Suinge out of the courte.]

And yf any officerr of the same Courte Do[the] any wronge to Any pson the same so proved to recouer his damags of hym that hathe done hym wronge.

Also yt ys ordered that Henry Barow shall withdraw an Accon [action] now cōmensed againste Jamys Bordman vpon his awne proper coste and chargs and that he and all others of thinhabytance of the same having an Accon [action] there shall in lyke maner withdrawe [the] same Sub pena to hym and every of [them] so offendinge . . . . . [the figures worn away.]

Afferatorꝭ Curie { Georgius Proudeloue, Adamus Pilkinton, Robartus Oldom, Johannes Gee

Also yt ys ordered that there shalbe too [two] Attorneys in this Courte from tyme to tyme to abayte matters and causes laufully betwixte partie and partie and to haue for their paynes of every Clyent not above too Pens [two pence].

Officers for this tyme Attorneys appointed { Willm Reade & Richard Galley[1]

[1] This entry, as to allowing the two attorneys to charge their clients *two pence* only for every case which they had in the Court, sounds very amusing to us at the present day. It is to be noted that William Reade was the "Catchpoll" of the Court, annually re-elected since October 16th, 1555, the only official who was so regularly re-elected, and that on October 2nd, 1566, Richard Galley was appointed Catchpoll in his place.

[Manchester.] [30th Sept., 1562.]

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The pourtmouthe[1] houden the last of septymber in ano 1562 thes being of the quest [*i.e.*, the inquest] whos names heyre after foloithe.

Rychard hvnt	Edward Rylstone
Robart holme	adame pylkynton
Robart langley	Robart oldame
ffrances pendylton	Rychard brownsworthe
george prowdloue	wyllyam hardye
Rychard platt	Rychard howpe [Hoope]
John gee	John byrche
Robart marler	John walker

[Borow] Reaue	Edward Rylstone
Catche polle	wyllyam Reade
Cvnstables	Thomas wyllatt george pẽdylton [Pendleton]
[Ma]rkyt lokers for corne ...	ffrances pendylton Rauffe prowdloue Jhames Rylstone thomas smythe
[M]arkyt lokers for fleshe & fyshe	allexsander potter thomas hylton
[M]yse lears ... ... [Misc layers]	John haughton Robart marler
[My]se getherars	wyllyame hardye John gee
selers of lether	wyllyam strenthfeloue[2] Rychard Daultone

[1] The Port-Mote, meaning literally the Town or Borough Court, is here used synonymously with Court Leet. In the Manchester Charter of 1301 the Port-Mote Court is named, as also in the Survey of the Manor of Manchester in 1320. At this Court, which in 1320 was to be held four times in the year, every burgess (or his wife or his eldest son for him) was bound to attend. By this time (1562) this Court seems to have been amalgamated with the Court Leet. The records of this Court Leet are written in a different hand to those of the preceding and succeeding ones.

[2] Strengfellow.

markyt lokers for whyt meate ...	henry adamsone Edward byrchinshaue
ale cōners	hughe bordmane shermane Jhamys [?] fletcher
byrlamen for markyt styd lane ...	Rychard hoope thomas hoult
byrlamen for Deanesgate ...	Thomas batsone anthonye hygin
byrlamen for wythingreaue & hynging dytche	thomas hyll thomas hvnt bocher [?]
byrlamen for mylnegate... ...	kyrstofer haselgreaue wyllyame sclater
	thomas Ryle Rauffe barlawe
skeuengers for markyt styd lane	wyllyame hvnt Rychard webster
skeuengers for Deanesgate ...	Edmvnd Deconsone Rychard harysone
Skeuengers for the ould markyt styd and synt marye gate ...	wyllyame Radclyfe Rychard hadlenton[1]
skeuengers frō the bouthes vnto the brydge	thomas aynesworthe John houghtone
skeuengers for the fenylstret, hvnts bancke & vnto the scole house ende	John boker John pendyltone Roger byxwycke
skeuengers for the rest of the mylnegate	george prowdloue Robart Radclyffe Rychard marshall
skeuengers for the hynging dytche	Robart grenhaughe george Romsden
affarator curie	Rychard hvnt Robart lanngley wyllyame hardye Robart marler
praysers	Jhames Whytworthe[2] George Romesdayen
offycers for [makynge] cleane the [other] places	Wyllyame . . . [Name torn away] John sydall

The Jure Dothe present george pendyltone to be [e]ntred burges for certyne landes y[t] [that] he hathe bought of Henrye

[1] (?) *Sic* for Adlington.

[2] Robert Ouldame crossed out.

gee wyche landes were some tyme Roundle masses [Massies] and to pey vnto the lord xij^{d} by yeare and doe soche seruys [service] as for the same hathe bene accostomyd.

also y^{t} [that] thomas Jacsone is deptyd syns the last court and was tenvnt in the Ryght of hys wyffe she being alyffe at thys present.

also the sayd Jurye Dothe order that wyllyame Radclyffe shall make or cause to be made assoffytyant [a sufficient] conncorse so that the water y^{t} comythe downe the markytstyd lane or els where y^{t} hathe bene accostomyd to pas[s] by the buthes [booths] maye pas[s] frome tyme to tyme and that thys be Done affore the feast of synt andrewe [Nov. 30] next sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d}

also y^{t} [that] all thos y^{t} [that] keape sygnes w^{t}in the towne shall Repeyre [repair] them newe[1] y^{t} [that] men maye knowe what sygnes they be affore the feast of synt martyne [Nov. 11] next sub pena ij^{s}

also the sayd Jurye dothe order y^{t} [that] all thos y^{t} [that] dothe keape enye backehouse [bakehouse] or hereafter shall keape enye that they and euerey of them shall be sworne y^{t} they shall not backe enye bred of enye kynd wherin enye butter shall be put contrarye to the order made in the last court.[2]

also the sayd Jurye dothe order that wheras in the last court ther was an order made concernyng a certyne mydyng [midden] of thomas Jacsons in the markytstyd lane the wyche order not being obceruyd [observed] the peyne is Due therfore we further order y^{t} [that] the wyffe of thomas Jacson shall macke a palle [paling] or wall allong after the stret and also allong after the Dytche betwyxt hyr and ffrances pendyltone y^{t} [that] noe myre or fylthe come into the stret ner into the Dytche and so keape the same frome tyme to tyme and y^{t} [that] thys be Done affore the fayst of synt andrewe next [Nov. 30] sub pena x^{s}

also we order that wheras in the last cort John ptyntone [Partinton or Partington] or the tenvnt for the tyme being were appountyd to keape a preuye [privy] at the bouthes end in soche order as hyt shuld not be noysome as in the same order more pleanelye hyt Dothe appeyre the wyche order not being kept the peyne is Dve therfore we further order the sayd John ptynton or the tenvnt ther being y^{t} [that] they keape the same preuye y^{t} hyt come not to the ground accordyng as in the last court hyt was orderyd affor the feast of synt martyne next [Nov. 11] sub pena vj^{s} viij^{d}

[1] That is, re-paint them. [2] See pp. 69 and 73.

[Manchester.] [15th April, 1563.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu [franc] pleg tent ibm die Jovis vz xv° die mensis Aprilis Anno regni Elizabethe dei gra Anglie ffrauncie et hibernie regine fidei defensor &c Quinto [1563] Coram Edwardo comit Derbie Senescall° ibm.

Inquco capt p Sacrament	Willmus Radclyff Jur	Robartus Oldom Jur
	Robartus marler	Richardus Hoope Jur
	ffranciscus Pendilton	Thomas Haryson Jur
	Georgius proudeloue	Robartus Hardey Jur
	Georgius Birche Jur	Johnes Birche
	Richardus Galley Jur	Stephanus browne
	Henricus Gee Jur	

Qui dicunt sup Sacrm suu et prent that John Gregory gent and deputie Stewarde[1] there to be Burges for one crofte or close called Hobcrofte payinge to the lorde by yere xij[d] and at the next courte to be admytted Sworne and doe his ffealtie according to the Auncyent custome there.

Itm we do prente [present] Thomas wollet [Willot] to be brought in Burges at the next courte for the landes w[ch] he lately purchased of Richard Brownesworde and at the next courte to be sworne and doe his fealtie And also yerelie to paye vnto the Lorde vj[d]

ORDINAC[ION]ES FACT PER CURIAM VT SEQUIT[UR].

In primis that no maner pson or persons at any tyme hereafter shall not put furthe or Swepe any donge or filthe into the chanell or Gutterr from the vpper ende of the Gutterr in the marketstede lane to the Boothe vpon peyne for euery tyme so offendinge vj[d]..... *factum est.*

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[1] This is the first time that the name of the Deputy Steward, who presided at these Courts in the absence of the Earl of Derby, has occurred. Of John Gregory, gent., nothing appears to be now known. He was probably a lawyer, and not unlikely the agent for the Derby family in Manchester and the district.

It. that the Gutter at the Boothes hereafter from tyme to tyme shalbe made clene by wiffm Radclyff and Richarde Hunte or thair tenants Sub pena, for every weke being vnclene or noysome to the passers by after the feaste of Penticoste next cōmynge vj^{d}..... *factum est.*

Itm that no maner ꝑson or ꝑsons hereafter shall kepe any Jakes [privy] wheare so ever yt be within the towne of Mamch^{r} aft^{r} the feaste of Saincte John Bap^{to} [June 24] next cōmynge sub pena to euery one so offendinge the same being noysome to the passers bye ij^{s}

And yf any man finde him[self] greved [let him] complane to the Scevingers and they [shall] geue warnynge thereof in their Course and Circute.

Also we order that [the] Donge hill now in tholdinge of the wiffe of Thomas Jacson shalbe kepte accordinge to thorderr before made vz a pale of a yarde and a halff highe to the strete that yt be not in any wise noysom to the passers bye and also to Sclense [cleanse] the diche betwixt ffraunc̄ Pendilton and herr and make a pale as afore ys said and ordered And Also to make suche prouycon [provision] from tyme to tyme as yt shall not be noysom to the tenants and howses there Sub pena for every weke from hensfurthe the same being noysome contrary to the forme aforesaid xij^{d}.....*non est factum.*

Also Richard webster shall not from hensfurthe kepe ner vse any pryvey or Jaks in the Gutter or Diche there betwixt betwixt *(sic)* the [premises of the] said Richard and [those of] the wiff of thomas Jacson and to Sclense the same [ditch] So that the water may haue his right course without lett [hindrance] Sub pena for euery weke from hensfurthe being not done accordinglie xij^{d}..... *factum est.*

Itm that no maner ꝑson or ꝑsons hereafter shall not put furthe or laye any donge at the ner [near] ende of Salford bridge w^{ch} shall or may happen to be noysome to the gate or Greses[1] [steps] there And also thaye that occupie the said medinge [midden] shall kepe the greses [steps] there cleane from tyme to tyme Sub pena for every tyme wekely from hensfurthe the same being vndone vj^{d} .....*non est factum.*

Itm that no maner ꝑson or ꝑsons what so euer thay be after the feaste of Sainct martyn the Busshopp in winter [Nov. 11] next

[1] The use of this old word here is noteworthy. It is referred to in the *Lancashire Glossary* as "Greese, stairs, steps, also a little brow, an ascent: Latimer has 'greesings,' meaning steps," but no quotation recording its use in Lancashire is given.

comynge shall not kepe eny Donge hill in eny Strete or highe waye to be noysom to the passers bye withe cariage or otherwise Sub pena for every weke the same being there or lyeing there vj^{d}

It̄ that Thomas wollet [Willot] shall kepe the hesyng[1] [easing or eaves] of his howse towardes Richard Galley [so] that [what] cometh of the same be not hurtfull vnto Richard Galleys howse And so kepe the same from tyme to tyme and that the same be done afore pen̄ [Pentecost] next comynge Sub pena xx^{s}.....*factum est.*

Itm that Henry Holcrofte hathe encroched vpon the Lordes waste And that the same Henrye was comaunded to Amende the same vpon a certayne peyne, the w^{ch} order not beinge obs̄ued he was amercyed in xl^{s}, Also we further orderr that the same Holcroft shall take downe a certayne howse whiche he hathe builded vpon the same waste and Also fill vpp a Marle pit there And also [make] a sufficient way that all men may passe as afore that tyme thay might haue done And that this be done afore midsomer next sub pena iiij^{li} [£4].

Itm that [no] maner p̄son or p̄sons what so euer they be shall not kepe eny Swyne Cote whereby eny filthe or water made, or Dothe come into the strete there or otherwise be noysom And so to kepe the same from tyme to tyme from hensfurthe And those and suche as be now Amysse to be Amendet afore the feast of the Natiuitie of Sainct John Bap^{te} [June 24] next cōmynge Sub pena x^{s} .....*factum est.*

Also we orderr that onelie one Measure shalbe made for all maner Cornes and Grenes [grains] excepte Meale and Salte as Large or Larger in nett valew and fulnes as now [that] ys the hoope [peck] when yt shalbe and ys vpp heaped and the same so made accordingly to be Striken and not vpheaped w^{ch} measure to be market and Allowed by thofficers called marketlokers for the tyme beinge w^{ch} order to take effecte prēntlye [presently], Or at Michaelmas next cōmynge at the furthest.....*fact est.*

And finally we orderr that no maner Jaks [filth][2] shalbe caste downe at henginge bridge, ner at Salford bridge except yt be into the water there at after or before the tymes before appointed Sub pena to euery one so offendinge xx^{s} And to be punysshed to thensample [the example] of all others according to the des̄ue [deserve or desert].....*fact est.*

Test meip̄m JOH'M GLOUERR ·
C̄m ib̄m

[1] This is an old word still in colloquial use in Lancashire. See the *Lancashire Glossary* under *easins.*

[2] Jakes is an old word for privy, but is sometimes applied to any kind of filth or litter. Halliwell refers to it being so used in Devonshire.

[Manchester.] [30th Sept., 1563.]

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Cur cum Vis [franc] pl[eg] tent ibm die Jovis vz xxx° die mensis Septembris Anno regni Elizabethe dei gra anglie ffrauncie et Hibernie regine fidei deffensor &c. Quinto [1563] Cor Edwardo comit Derbie Senescall ibm.

Inquic̃o capt p Sacrament	Willimus Radclyff Jur	Stephanus browne Jur
	Adamus Pilkinton Jur	Johnes Birche Jur
	Thomas chaderton Jur	Robartus Oldom Jur
	ffranciscus Pendilton Jur	Ric̃us Hoope Jur
	Robartus Langley Jur	Ric̃us Galley Jur
	Robartus M'lerr Jur	Ric̃us platt Jur
	Georgius birche Jur	Edmūdus Diconson Jur
	Willims Hardey Jur	

OFFICIAR' FACT' P[ER] AUCTHORITAT' CUR' &C.

Borowreve	Thomas Wollett [Willot]
Catchepolle	william Reade
Constables	Robart Langley Georgius Birche
marketlokers	willms Radclyff Robartus Marler willims Hunte Radus Radley
market lokers for fysshe and fflesshe...	Robartus wharnbie Willmus wharnebye
myse layers	Georgius proudeloue Georgius Traves
myse gatherers	Willm Baguley Jamys Rildelstons
Sealers of Letherr	Bartilmew ffletchr John Draper

market lokers for whit meate ...	Thomas Hilton Randus Birche als Orcharde Johnes Grenealghe willims strenfelowe
Ale coners	Jamys Smythe Edmounde Mylnes
birlamen for the markethstede lane	Thomas byspam Robart Hardman
birlamen for the Denisgate ...	George wrighte xpofer Atkinson
birlamē for the withingreve and hanging diche...	Thomas Scofelde Jacobus ffletcher
birlamen for the Mylnegate ...	Milo Gilforde Johnes Spencer
Scevingers for the marketsted lane	Richarde Gee willm barloe
Scevingers for the Denisgate ...	John Glouerr Antony Shepde [Shepherd]
Scevingers for thold M'ketstede & sainct mary gate	Omfra haughton hughe Oldom
Sceuingers from Boothes to the bridge	Willm hardie Richarde cobcrofte
Scevingers for the ffenelstrete Hunts bancke & vnto the scole Howse ende	Hughe thorpe Elys costerdine John Johnson
Sceuingers for the reste of the mylnegate	Jamys cholerton Rauff barlowe Edward chetam
Scevingers for henging diche ...	Steven browne Richard hoope
afferator Curie	willims Radclyff ffranciscus pendilton Adamus Pilkinton Georgius birche
Praysers of the Courte	Jacobus whitw'thè Georgius Romsden
officers for making clene of the markethstede	Richard Gray
Scevingers for the melegate ...	Edmund hanson George wirrall

Itm the Jury dothe conclude and agre that Richarde Kyrshae [Kershaw] & Randill Lighe [Legh] shall from hensfurthe shall [each]

exersyse the office of the Cōmen weyte [common wait],[1] in the towne of mamchestre & so to contynewe from tyme to tyme Doinge his dewtie and vsing him selff honestlye as an honest man owe [ought] to doe, Or ellis [else] an other to be put in his Rome and to gether their wag℄ [wages] by thelpe [the help] of the cunstables or their deputies. [In the margin :—Concernynge the weyte of this towne.]

Itm the Jury dothe finde that the Lorde Lawarr oughte to haue of right yerely owt of the chantre[2] w^{ch} was Late in the vse of Syr John briddocke preste[3] ... ... x^{s} [In the margin :—A rente of x^{s} dew to the Lorde.]

Also the Jury dothe ffynde that the Lorde Lawarr ought to haue yerely oute of the chantry of the gyfte of willm Radclyffe[4] a rente w^{ch} thay knowe not at this tyme. Notwithstanding we certaynly knowe that too shillings oughte to be payde owt of the same the reste we shall prēnte [present] when we knowe furtherr. [In the margin :—A rente of ij^{s} now knowen & more to be enquired of.]

Also the Jury dothe order that henry Gee shall cause A pryvey now in the vse of m^{r} warden[5] to be taken awaye or so vsed that yt shall not be noysome to theme that dwellethe in the howse of Hughe Oldom on thisside or before the feaste of all Saincts [Nov. 1] next ensuyinge sub pena v^{s}.....*fact est.*

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[1] This is the first reference to the employment of *waits* or minstrels in the town. There are many entries relating to them at subsequent periods when their number was raised to four or more. They attended at weddings and also played in the streets of the town, and it has been stated that they acted as night watchmen, but this is very doubtful. Although appointed by the Court Leet they do not appear to have been paid officers, but to have received presents or certain fixed sums from those who employed them.

[2] This was St. George's Chantry, in the Collegiate Church of Manchester, founded by Robert Chetham in 1501, "to celebrate masse ther for the sowlez of the said Roberte and his ancestors at six of the cloke in the morninge," in the Chapel now known as the Chetham Chapel. The Chantry return of 1545-6 states that from the lands, &c., belonging to this Chantry there was payable "to the Lorde La Warre for cheif rente goinge furth of the burgages in Mylnegate iij^{s} and Deanesgate ij^{s} by yere v^{s}" (*Lancashire Chantries*, Chetham Society, p. 45), but in the text the amount claimed is x^{s} [10s].

[3] Sir John Briddock, priest, is mentioned as the priest serving this Chantry in 1545.

[4] This was the Trinity Chantry in the Collegiate Church "of the foundacon of Willm Radclyff to celebrate ther for the sowlez of the said founder and his ancestors." The Chantry returns of 1545-6 mention this rental as payable "to the Lorde le Warre for chief rent goinge furth of all the saide tentes [tenements] by year ij^{s}" (*Lancashire Chantries*, Chetham Society, p. 54).

[5] That is the Warden of the Collegiate Church, at this time William Birch, M.A., a younger son of the old Manchester family of that name.

Also wheareas the Stewarde hathe prẽnted [presented] to vs certayne ꝑsons whoe hathe purchased burgages landes and Teñts to theme and thair heirs for Everr yeldinge to the dony[1] or Seller thereof & his heirs a yerely rent for everr, whereof the lorde notwithstandinge ought to haue the Service of all suche, bicause the Seller and his heirs hathe but a rente yerelie onelie for all ꝟuice & demaundes, in this case yt ys presupposed the ꝟuice must of fforce be vnto the lorde dew, as ys [that] of a burgage yet bicause we stand ꝑtly in dowte therein we haue omytted our prẽntmente [presentment] therein vnto the next courte daye At w^{ch} daye and tyme we shall do o^{r} dewties in that behalff &c.

Yt ys ordered by the Stewarde and Burgesses of this towne of mamch^{r} to be kepte and obꝟued as a Lawe in the same towne and within the precyncte thereof That no maner ꝑson or ꝑsons dwellinge within the same towne or the precynt thereof, after this prẽnte [present] Sundaye beinge the thrid daye of November shall paye at any weddinge Dyner whereunto thay shalbe required aboue foure Pence[2] vpon peyne to euery one that shall paye aboue Six shillinges eight pence, to be forfet to the Lorde of this towne, And he or she that [left unfinished.]

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[1] So in the original, quite plain.

[2] This is the first of many similar "orders" against extravagance at the wedding feasts, which were then customary, and at which large sums of money, utterly disproportionate to the means of those attending them, were spent.

[Manchester.] [6th April, 1564.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu [franc] pleg tent ibm die Jovis vz Sexto die mensis Aprilis Anno regni dñe Elizabethe dei gra anglie ffrauncie et Hibernie regine fidei defensor &c. Sexto [1564] Coram Edwardo comit Derbie Senesło ibm.

Inquico p Sacrament capt	ffranciscus Pendilton Jur	Robartus Marler Jur
	Willmus Radclyff Jur	Robartus Oldom Jur
	Georgius Proudloue Jur	Richardus Hoope Jur
	Georgius Pendilton Jur	Rogerus Kenyon Jur
	Johnes Gee Jur	Willims Baguley Jur
	Robartus Hardey Jur	Georgius Traves Jur
	Johnes Birche Jur	Jacobus Rilston Jur

Qui dicunt sup sacrament suu that Edwarde Rilstons[1] ys deceased syns the last courte & that Jamys Rilston ys his brother and his next cosyn and heire [*i.e.*, next of kin and heir] in Reuercon we meyne ymediatly after the dec [decease] of Alis late wiff of the said Edwarde, and shalbe brought in burgege [burgess] and do his ffealtie & Suice [service] to the Lorde accordinglye.

Itm the said Jury dothe ffinde that one Richard Smethurste [who] hathe purchased Landes within this maner shall come in at the next courte and shewe what Landes he holdethe and by what title he holdethe the same sub pena xx^{s}

Also the Jury dothe ffinde that willm Baguley hathe purchased of thomas Tetloe Six burgage and one close within the towne of mamch^{r} & payethe to the chieff Lorde by covenınte yerelie xij^{d} and therefore shall prently [presently] be made Burges and do his ffeoltie and Service to the Lorde of this maner.

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[1] Edward *Rilstone* (often written *Rillston* or *Ridleston*) was the eldest son of Thomas Rilstone, of Manchester. He is described as of Manchester, "mercer," in 1560. His brother, James Rilstone, died in 1578, leaving issue, four sons and five daughters. (See *postea*.)

Also the said wiłłm hathe purchased of Thomas chaderton gent[1] one close called the Sowsehills and payethe to the Lorde by coveñnte yerelie ffoure pence and to do the like Service.

Also we the said Jurỳ dothe prẽnte [prèsent] George Traves to be burges and sworne to the Lorde of this maner accordinglye for too closes w[ch] he hathe purchased of Thomas Chaderton of the Leighe gent[1] lyeng in the marketstede lane and dothe paye to the chieff Lorde by coveñnte yerelie vj[d]

Also we the said Jury dothe finde that Thomas Nowell esquier[2] holdethe of the lorde of this maner certain Landes called Dugfildes[3] and claredneffeld (?) and oweth to pay therefore yerelie to the lorde of this maner iiij[s] and also for Gatecote ffilde[3] yerelie too shillings.

Also we finde that Gilbart Gerrard esquier[4] holdeth of the Lorde of this maner, certayne Landes called yeland ffildes and oweth to paye therefore yerelye two shillings.

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[1] Thomas Chadderton, of the *Lees*, near Oldham, gent., died about 1572-3, seised of lands in Lees, Crompton, and Manchester.

[2] Thomas Nowell, of Read, Esq., was the son and heir of Roger Nowell, of Read, Esq. He married, for his second wife, Alice, one of the daughters of George Trafford, of the Garrett, Esq., and co-heiress to her brother Ralph Trafford (see p. 44[1]), in whose right he succeeded to messuages and lands in Manchester. (See *postea*, 1567)

[3] These fields and others are again referred to in the Court held on 3rd April, 1567. (See p. 109.)

[4] Gilbert Gerrard, Esq., afterwards Sir Gilbert Gerrard, Knt., Master of the Rolls, represented one of the sisters and co-heirs of Ralph Trafford, of the Garrett, Esq. (see p. 44), and so held these lands, &c., in Manchester. (See *postea*, 1567.)

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[Manchester. Court held — Oct. 1564.[1]]

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Scevingers for the ffenelstrete to the Scole howse and the hunts bancke...	Oliuerus Birche Robertus Chetam John baroes
Scevingers for the rest of the mylnegate	Georgius Proudeloue Thomas willot Myles Gilforde
Scevingers for the hanging diche and mylnegate	Richard Hoope Thomas harison
Afferator Cur	Willms Radcliff Georg̃ Pendilton Georg̃ proudeloue George Traves Willims Baguley
Praysers	Jacobus whitw^{r}the Georgius Romsdeyne
ffor the makinge cleane of the markethstede	Richard Rainshae* Richard Grey*
Scevingers for the Smethie doore	Johnes haughton drap̃ [draper]
*Not[e] that yf auther [either] of thes persons do not ther dewtie vpon laufull monyc̃on [admonition] gevin there shalbe other chosen by	Jamys Rilstons Willm baguley George proudeloue

Radus Orcharde alʒ Birche Burg̃ de Mamcestr quer versus Stephanũ Browne alʒ burg̃ in plito debit xxv^{s} viij^{d} cuius . . . . non adhuc solut vt Dic &c. Qui dicunt sup Sacrament suũ. [In the margin :—q̃ non seq. id̃o in mĩa vj^{d}][2]

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[1] The first portion of the proceedings of this Court, giving the names of the Jury, and the names of the Boroughreeve, Constables, &c., is now missing.

[2] Ralph Orchard, *alias* Birche, a burgess of Manchester, seeks against [or sues] Stephen Brown, another burgess, in a plea of debt, 25s 8d., of which nothing is as yet paid, as he says, &c. [The Jury] say on their oath that it is not proved, and therefore he is amerced 6d.

Stephanus Browne de Mamch^{r} quer versus Radm Orcharde de Mamcestr in plito xxiiij^{s}. Quos &c. pro vt &c. [In the margin :— q̄) non seq. id̄o in mīa vj.][1]

Also John Gregory gent the Lordes officerr[2] and all the Burgegs hereafter named hathe consented and gevin Lycens vnto George Traves that he the seid George, or his heirs or assignes shall and may at any tyme ffrom hensfurth builde and Set one barne of too Bayes, ffyve ffoote from his dyche there vpon the waste, and so to contynew for Ever; fforseing always that the seide george and his heirs shall make a sufficient Concorse for the water there, so that yt be not noysome to the highe waye there, Sub pena for euery tyme so offendinge vpon dew and sufficient complaunte had and made too pence to the Lorde of this maner.

willm Radclyff	John Gee	Patricke malone
George proudeloue	Jamys Rilston	Robart Oldom
George Pendilton	Richard Galley	Thomas Harison
Thomas Willott	Henry Gee	Robert hardey
willm Baguley	Richard ffoxe	willim Ravalde
ffrancys Pendilton	John Pendilton	willm hardey
Richard Awen	Richard hunte	John birche

[John Glover's mark]
GLOUER

1564.

ORDINAT EST PER AUCTHORITAT CUR.

[The rest of the page, and the whole of the page following, are blank, the remainder of the proceedings of this Court not having been entered.]

[1] Stephen Browne, of Manchester, sues Ralph Orchard, of Manchester, in a plea [of debt] 24s. The Jury say it is not proved, and therefore he is amerced 6d.

[2] He was the Deputy Steward (see p. 78), and most probably presided at these Courts in the absence of the Earl of Derby.

[Manchester.] [3rd Oct., 1565.]

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Cur cum Viſu [franc] pleg tent ibm Tercio die mensis Octobris Anno regni dñe nre regine Elizabeth dei gra anglie ffrauncie et hibernie regine fidei defensor &c. Septimo [1565] Coram Edwardo Comit Derbie Senescall ibm

ffranciscus Pendilton Juf	Robertus Hardey Juf
Robartus Langley Juf	Robertus Oldom Juf
Georgius Pendilton Juf	Thomas Harison Juf
Richardus Platte Juf	Radus choureton Juf
Johnes Gee Juf	Johnes Pendilton Juf
Georgius Birche Juf	Jacobus chourton Juf
willmus Baguley Juf	Stephanus Beche Juf
Adamus Pilkinton Juf	Radus Radley Juf
Georgius Traves Juf	Thomas Jacson Juf

Borowe Reve	Georgius Pendilton
Catche polle	willm Reade
Cunstables	John Haughton Jamys Rylston
market Lokers for Corne ...	Georgius Birche Georgius wirrall Richus Awen Radus Shelmerdine
market Lokers for ffysshe and flesshe	Jamys wulstencrofte Thomas Hilton
myse Lears ... ... [Mize Layers]	ffrancys Pendilton John Pendilton
myse gatherers	Jamys chourton Robert Hardey
Selers of Lether...	Robart Garnet Andrew Rainshae

market lokers for marketstede Lane	Antony Higen Thomas bateson
market lokers for whitt meate ...	John Spencer Steven browne Edward Birtinshae Adam Hill
Ale Coyners	Richard Haryson Jamys whitwurthe
birlamen for Denisgate	Robert[1] ffarington Christofer Rothewell
Birlamen for hengindiche & withingr̃e	Rad̃us Orcharde willmus Dawne
Birlamen for mylnegate... ...	Richarde Kilner Rand̃us choreton
Scevingers for Denisgate ...	Johnes Davie Edmūdus Diconson willims Baguley
Scevingers for the olde market stede & saincte mary gate ...	willims Radcliff Omfridus Haughton
Scevingers for the marketstede Lane	ffranc̨ Pendilton Stephen beche
Scevingers for the Boothes vnto Salford Bridge	Georgius Pendilton Georgius Traves
Scevingers for the fenelstrete Hunts bancke & vnto the scole howse ende	Robartus Langley Elizeus Costerdine Hugo Thorpe
Scevingers for the rest of the mylnegate	Thomas Bateson willmus wharnbie Richus mershall
Scevingers for the henging diche and mylnegate	Thomas Holte Robertus m'ler [Marler]
Afferator huius Cur̃	ffranciscus p̃dilton Robertus Langley Stephanus beche Johnes Gee Johnes Pendilton
[2]preysers	Richardus Galley Georgius Romsdene

[1] Rauff crossed out.

[2] The leaf on which these entries occur and the leaf following are misplaced in the original book, and have been placed after those containing the entries for the Court held 10th April, 1561. (See p. 64.) Although there is John Glover's mark and the date, 1569, at the bottom of the second page, there can be, I think, little doubt that these entries

officers appoynted for the making cleane of the market Place ...	Richard . . . . [torn] Richard Grey
Note that yf auther of thes ꝑsons do not their dewtie vpon Laufull monycon geven to him or theme there shalbe other chosen and appointed by	Robert Langley francꝭ Pendilton George Pendilton

Ordinacoes fact per auctoritat cur Bt sequit.

ffirst the Jury dothe Order that euery person or persons havinge Landes Burgags or Teñts [tenements] within the towne of mamchr shall pave and make sufficient the waye or gate from tyme to tyme before thair Landes Burgages &c that is to saye in the Stretes within the towne to the chanell of him or theme that dwellethe in the Burgage or howse for the tyme beinge wch [are] to be made even comlye and feyre vpon peyne to every one so offendinge vs and the same to be done from tyme to tyme within suche tyme as shalbe appointed by the discreacõn of the Scevingers within the circuite wheare suche thinge ys decayed for the tyme beinge. [In the margin :—yt [if] the burgags or landes be in Lease he that hathe yt [it] be [by] Lease to make good & pave the Strete or elles the Lande Lorde to do hit.]

Also the Jury dothe order that no maner ꝑson ner ꝑsons shall tye ner beate [bait] their horses or cattels in the market place vpon the market dayes otherwise then ys prescribed in an order heretofore made [under] the peyne therein mencioned.

The Jury dothe finde that Jamys Lancashire hathe Purchased one mease [messuage] or teñte [tenement] withe thappurteñncs to him and his heirs for everr lyeng within the precynct of the towne of mamchr of Richard Radclyff[1] and Owen his sonne for wch he ought

belong to the year 1565, as the entries for that Court would otherwise be missing, and there is no other Court to which these "preysers" and other officers, only appointed at the Michaelmas Courts, could possibly belong. The subsequent entries for the year 1569, although signed by John Glover as clerk, are in quite a different handwriting to these, which are in the handwriting of the year 1564 and previous years. The records of the Michaelmas Court, 1569, are also quite complete, and there is half a page left blank before the entries for the next Court, 30th March, 1570, begin.

[1] Langley crossed out. This Richard Radcliffe was of Langley, near Oldham. (See p. 97.)

to be made Burges and Payeth by his Evidence to the Lorde of this maner Eight pence yerelie with the Service thereto belonginge.

Also the Jury dothe ffinde that John Glover hathe p^rchased of John Culchethe of Culcheth esquier[1] by thandes of John Haughton draper one Burgage with thappurteñncs in mamch^r in a Strete there called the milnegate now in thoccupac̃on of Rauff Barloe to him and to his heirs for Everr painge to the chieff Lorde of the ffee ffoure Pence withe the Service therefore dewe and accustomed.

Also the said Jury dothe finde that Jamys Chourton hathe likewise purchased of John Culcheth aforesaid by thandes of John Haughton draper too Burgags w^th thappurtenancs in mamch^r in a Strete there called the mylnegate now in the occupac̃ons of the said Jamys and Rauff Birche, to hym & to his heirs for Everr painge therefore yerelie to the chieff lorde of the ffee fourtene pence withe the Service therfore dew and accustomed.

Also the said Jury dothe ffinde that Rauff Radley hathe likewise Purchased of the said John Culchethe by the handes of John Haughton drap one Burgage withe thappurteñncs in mamch^r in a Strete there called the milnegate now in the holdinge of the saide Rauff to him and to his heirs for Everr Painge therefore yerelie to the chieff Lorde of the ffee Sixp[ence] withe the service therfore dew and accustomed.

Also whereas yt ys ordered that Richard Typpinge dwellinge somtyme in the howse of Ric Brounsworde in the hengingdich[2] shuld make cleane a Donge Hill lyeng to the church yarde side, now the said Richard [having] departed from the same we Order that who so ever enioyeth or occupieth the said medinge [midden] as awner thereof shall kepe yt in suche order as ys before prescribed vz to be kepte thre ffoots from the churche wall cleane So that yt be not noysom to the passers bye Sub Pena iiij^s And this to be done afore the feaste of the Easter next cōmynge.....*ffact est.*

Also we ffinde that Richard Hunte and wiłłm Radcliff hathe not fulfilled an order made concernynge the makinge of a Pale at the boothes ende, we order that the same shalbe made according to an order thereof made on thisside and before the feaste of Sainct martyn the Busshop in winter [Nov. 11] next cōmynge Sub pena ffyve shillings.....*fact est.*

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[1] John Culcheth, of Culcheth, Esq., was the son and heir of Gilbert Culcheth, Esq., and succeeded to his father's estates in 1559. (See p. 51.) Other lands of his were sold in the following year 1566. (See p. 96.)

[2] This matter came before the Court, 1st October, 1561. (See p. 67.)

Also the Jury dothe Order that Jamys Rilstons shall make a sufficient course for the water that yssues fourthe of the bacside of thomas Aynswurth howse into the denisgate And that the same be done before the feaste of the natiuitie of Sainct John bap^te^ [June 24] next cōmynge Sub pena v^s^.....*ffact est.*

Also we ffinde that Sir Edward Holte[1] and John Radclyff hathe not p̄fourmed an order made heretofore concernynge the mysvsinge of a Gutterr and Jakes there at the Boothes we order that the same shalbe kepte and mayntened according to the order before made from tyme to tyme Sub pena for every tyme so offendinge and contynuyinge from hensfurthe by the space of one wike [week] vndone iiij^s^.....*ffact est.*

And also we finde that Raynolde Steleson hathe not kepte an order concernynge a Jakes at his howse we ffinde and order that the said Stelesen shall amende the said Jakes accordinglie and so to kepe the same from tyme to tyme Sub pena ij^s^ And the same to be amended afore the said feaste of all Saincts [Nov. 1] next cōmynge Sub pena ij^s^.....*ffact est.*

Also the Jury dothe ffinde that Olyuer Bowker late of moston ys deceased Syns the laste courte, And that Edw^r^de Bowker ys his sonne and heire and at Laufull age and owethe to do his ffeoltie withe the ꝯuice dewe to the Lorde of this maner for the Landes he holdethe of the Lorde.

Also the Jury dothe ffinde that wiłłm Strangweys gent[2] ys deceased syns the last courte, And that Thomas Strangweys ys his sonne and heire and owethe to do his ffeoltie and Ser[vice] to the Lorde for the Landes he holdethe of the Lorde of this m[aner.]

Also we ffinde that thomas Jacson ys deceased and that Thomas Jacson ys his sonne and heire and at Laufull age And we do also Recorde that Joane late wiff of the saide Thomas Jacson deceased did p̄sonallie appere before the steward and vs and other thenhabitants there, And then and there did ffrelie geve vnto the said thomas

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[1] Sir Edward Holt was probably a priest or clergyman at this time living in the town.

[2] William Strangeways, of Strangeways, Esq., was the son and heir of Philip Strangeways, of Strangeways, Esq., who died in 1556. (See p. 29.) He married Eleanor, daughter of Walter Pulleyn, of Scotton, co. York, Esq., the marriage settlement being dated 18th May, 1546. He had four sons, Thomas, Philip, John, and George, who were all living in 1572. Eleanor, his widow, is so called in a deed dated January, 1567-8, which is another proof that these entries cannot refer to October, 1569, but to a date anterior to January, 1568. She was living in 1593.

Jacson her sonne all her Burgags Landes and Teñts [tenements] withe thappurteñncs what so ever they be Painge to the chieff Lorde twelve Pence by yere withe the service therefore dewe, And therevpon he ys made Burges and Sworne vnto the Lorde accordinge to the Custome, Provyded and forseing alweys that the said Thomas her sonne shall ꝑmit [permit] and sufferr the said Joane to enioy and occupie the premisses withe thappurteñncs during her naturall Lieffe &c.

Also where there ys an order heretofore prouided deuised and made by the Steward and Burgeses withe the consent ffre will and assent of all and euery the holl [whole] inhabitants and towne dwell[ers] of Mamch[r] that no ꝑson or ꝑsons dwelling within the same tow[ne] or the precyncte thereof shall make or cause to be made eny priv[ate] or generall ffeaste or wedding dyner[1] to leythe[2] [invite] or bidd any ꝑson or ꝑsons, what soever they be to thende or entent that they shuld paye and geve for one ꝑson or polle for the same Dyñer aboue the valewe or Soꝫe of ffoure Pence eyther privelie or [openly] Sub pena xx[s] And also an other that no maner ꝑson or ꝑsons dwellinge within the said towne or the precinct thereof shall not layethe require move or bidde any ꝑson or persons to come to any Ale or Drinckinge in assemble ner also to go themeselves to any suche at the request or desire of others Sub pena vj[s] viij[d] for every tyme so offendinge We the said Jury aforesaid by the like consent and assent aforesaid Do orderr that no maner ꝑson or ꝑsons what so everr they be dwellinge within the precynncte or terytory of the saide towne of mamch[r] aforesaid shall not from hensfurthe make eny weddinge dynerr or ffeaste whearat thay shall in eny wise eyther privatelie or openlie take or receyue aboue the valew of ffoure Pence, And also that no maner ꝑson or ꝑsons what so ever thay be dwelling within the said towne or precynct of the same being desired bidden or lathed to any suche feaste or Weddinge Diner shall not in eny maner geve or paye for the said Dyner or ffeaste nether privatelie ner openlie aboue the valewe or some of ffoure Pence Sub pena xx[s] for every tyme so offendinge And that no ꝑson or ꝑsons shall not in eny wise bid require or layeth eny maner ꝑson or ꝑsons to any Ale Sub pena for every tyme so offendinge vj[s] viij[d] Prouided and forseing alwayes that he or they who shall or will prẽnte [present] the defauts [defaulters] shall have of the premiss for euery prẽntmente

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[1] This apparently relates to the order made 30th September, 1563. (See p. 84.) It is also again referred to in the Court held 6th October, 1568. (See p. 122.)

[2] Leythe comes from the Anglo-Saxon *lathian*, to invite or bid, send for. It is still used in Lancashire, but is now generally spelt "laithe." (See the *Lancashire Glossary*, p. 178.)

[presentment] xx^{d} [In the margin[1] :—prouyded alwayes y^{t} this order shall not extende to Ales for heighewayes bridges or churches.[2]]

Also we order that the waye vpp the Ackers[3] ffrom the Strete or yate there vpp the ffilde there shalbe of suche breadthe and rome betwixt the lande now in the holding of George Proudeloue and Jamys Rilstons as yt hathe bene heretofore vsed and occupied or at the Leaste suche rome as shall satisfie suche psons as owe [ought] of right to passe and repasse there with cariages or otherwayes, and also to leyve sufficient waye vpō the partie of George Proudeloue, vz betwixt the buildinge of George proudeloue and the barne of Jamys Rilstons.

Also we finde that Rauff proudeloue and his wiffe hathe and holdethe a Burgage or Berne at a place called the Suyde hill [Shudehill] and payethe therefore yerelie to the Lorde viij^{d}, but whoe ys the right Heare [heir] thereof we knoe not, Notwithstandinge we have cōmaunded the saide Rauff proudeloue to bringe in a true heire at the next courte or Lete.

Also we order that every person or psons what so ever thay be that are made Burgeses in this courte, shall aswell prēnte [present] theme selves, as also paye for the Dyet of the twelve[4] for the tyme beinge the Sōme of Twelve Pence.

Test JOH'M GLOUERR [John Glover's mark] GLOVERR
Ctm ibm 1569.[5]

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[1] This is in another handwriting, apparently that of the Steward, the Earl of Derby, as it agrees with the handwriting of his letter dated 4th November, 1567, which is carefully sewn on to this page and which relates to this very matter. (See p. 115.)

[2] "Ales" were social meetings called together for some special purpose, and where, after the usual drinking and eating, collections were made for the object for which the "Ale" was given. The most frequent of these gatherings were the Whitsun Ales and Church Ales, where money was collected for the relief of the poor and for the necessary repairs of the church.

[3] The Ackers or Acres Field is now St. Ann's Square.

[4] This probably refers to the Jury of the Court Leet, which had to consist of twelve persons at the least. It is most probable, in accordance with the custom of those and much later times, that, after the conclusion of the Court, the Jury dined together, and that those who were newly sworn in burgesses had to contribute something towards this dinner.

[5] I think there can be no doubt that this mark has been added subsequently, and that the proceedings relate to the year 1565 and not to 1569. (See p. 90, note 2.)

[Manchester.] [18th April, 1566.]

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Cur dni LaWarr tent apud manc xviii[th] of A[pril] Anno regni dñe nr̃e regine Elizebeth octavo &c. [1566.][1]

Willm[s] Radclyffe	Radus Orcharde Juf)
willm Baguley	willms Ravalde Juf)
ffrancis pendilton Juf)	Jacobus chourton Juf)
Robart Langley Juf)	Radus Radley Juf)
Richardus Platt Juf)	Johnes Haughton [crossed out]
Johnes Gee Juf)	Edwardus Buckeley [crossed out]
Johnes Birche Juf)	Jacobus Chetam Juf)
Georgius traves Juf)	Robart marlerr
Richus Galley Juf)	Edwardus Sidall Juf)
Ranulphus massie Juf)	Radus chourton Juf)
Robartus Oldom Juf)	Robart hardey Juf)
Georgius prowdloff Juf)	Rogerus Kenyon Juf)[2]
Antonus Shepard Juf)	

The Jury dothe presente James gilliam to be burges for carten [lands] bought off John haughton darper [draper] wyche laundes were lately . . . . . John chulchethe esquire,[3] and he dothe paye for the same laundes [to] the lorde v[d] by yeare.

also the Jury dothe present Edwarde buckleye burges for carten laundes bought off John haughton as is aforsayd and payethe to the lorde vj[d] by yeare.

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[1] The Court of the Lord La Warre, held at Manchester the 18th of April, in the eighth year of the reign of our Queen, Elizabeth, &c. It is to be noted that the records of this Court are in quite a different handwriting to that last used, and which again appears in the records of the Court held 2nd October, 1566.

[2] This is the largest number of persons sworn on the Jury hitherto recorded. Omitting the two persons, whose names are crossed out, there are twenty-three names left.

[3] John Culcheth, of Culcheth, Esq., was the son and heir of Gilbert Culcheth, of Culcheth, Esq., who died in 1559. He married Cicely, daughter of Sir Thomas Southworth, of Samlesbury, co. Lanc., Knt., and had issue, see p. 51.

also the Jury dothe presente that wyllyam hardye hathe purchede carten laundes off m^r^ rychard radclyffe off Langlaye[1] and payethe [to the] lord x^d^ by yeare.

also the Jury dothe present raphe rodlaye sonne off hary rodla[ye to] be off lawffull yeares that is to saye xx^th^ yeares and vpwarde and to be sworne to the lorde and pay[ethe] to the lord iiij^d^ ob̄ [4½d.] by yeare.

[also] the sayd Jurye dothe p^r^sent [present] [that] wheras John hvnt being seced [seised] of Certene Lands Latlye purchases of m^r^ Jhames holme of Deweye holme [Davy Hulme][2] in mãchesť [Manchester] the seyd John for certene concyderatyons hym mouyng hathe Releaced & geuene [given] over the sayd Lands vnto Rycharde platte[3] and hys eyres [heirs] for ever as by hys dede affore vs shewed more plenlye apperythe.

also the sayd Jurye dothe p^r^sent John haughtone to haue purchased sertene Lands of Thurstane tyldysley esquyre[4] [by] indenture by v^r^tue wherof the sayd John is to be swarne vnto the Lorde and to doe all soche serues [service] and paye all soche Rents as for the same is dewe, and soe fer as we knowe the Rent is xiij^s^ iiij^d^ by yeare.

also the sayd Jurye dothe p^r^sent Robert hardye to haue purchased Certene Lands of Jone Jacsone wedoe as by her cōueance [conveyance] vnto the sayd Robart made more plenlye apperithe by vertue wherof the sayd Robart is to be acceptyd as tenvnt vnto the Lorde to be swarne and to paye soche Rents as for the same is dewe y^t^ is to saye xij^d^ by yeare.

[al]so the sayd Jurye dothe p^r^sent y^t^ wheras by anorder made concernyng wedyngs noe mane shulde paye ner enye other Rs̄ [receive] aboue iiij^d^[5] apoolle [a poll or head] vppone payne of soche marcyments [amercements] as in the same order is appointed: we the afforsayd [Jury] doe p^r^sent John smythe to haue Rs̄ [received] of Thomas Deconsone contrarye vnto the sayd order, therfore [e]ther of them to paye accordyng to [the] same order xx^s^ [20s.].

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[1] Richard Radcliffe, of Langley, near Oldham, gent., was the son and heir of Owen Radcliffe, of that place. He married Elizabeth, daughter of James Gerard, of Ince, and sister of Sir Gilbert Gerrard, Knt. He was buried at Middleton, 28th April, 1557.

[2] See p. 47.

[3] Richard Platt, of Platt, in Rusholme, near Manchester, gent., was the son and heir of John Platt, of Rusholme, gent. He died in 1593.

[4] See p. 30. [5] See p. 94.

[also] the sayd Jurye dothe p'sente Jone edge wedoe for that she hathe R$ [received] contrarye to the sayd order and also John cooppe for y^t^ he hathe payd vnto the sayd Jone contrarye vnto the same order therfore we do amercey ether of them accordyng vnto the same order in xx^s^ apece.

The Jure dothe fynde y^t^ Rauffe shalcrosse hathe in[croched][1] vppone the Lords wast being psele [parcel] of o^r^ comvne therfo[re] we appoint the sayd Raphe y^t^ he put donne y^t^ wyche is incroched so y^t^ he [it] maye be occupyed as affore tyme hyt hathe bene accostomed at [and] y^t^ this be done affore the [feast] of synt myhell tharchangle [Sept. 29] next comyng sub pena x^[s]^

also the sayd Jurye dothe fynde y^t^ thomas wyllot hathe made a marle pyt vppone the Lords wast pcell of o^r^ comvne and also hathe incroched vppone the same therfore we [? appoint][1] the sayd thomas y^t^ he shall not onelye Ley forthe the incrochment and so kepe the same y^t^ hyt maye be oc[cupyed] as of ould tyme it hathe bene accostomed but also [that he] macke or cause to be made assuffytyent pale [at the] edge so y^t^ all men maye passe by the said pyt w^th^ horsse or carte [without] danger and y^t^ this be done affore the fayst of s[aint] John baptyst [June 24] next comyng sub pena xx^s^..... *non est factum.*

also the sayd Jurye dothe fynde y^t^ margere massye wedoe hathe suffered the course of water at thende of hyr house to Rene for[th out] of order to the grat hurt of the Landes of thomas nowell esquyre[2] inconcyderatyone wherof we doe appount the said margere that she macke or cause to be made assuffytyent course for the sayd water in stone and soe kepe the same from tyme to tyme y^t^ the sayd water maye haue hys course a[nd] y^t^ this be donne affore the feast of synt myhell tharchangle [Sept. 29] next comynge sub pena xx^s^

also the sayd Jurye dothe fynde y^t^ thomas wyllat hathe set his barne vppone the Landes of Roger Kenyone at the further syde frome the stret twelffe ynches notw^thstandyng the sayd thomas hathe Left at thende tordes [towards] the stret seven inches, the wey . . . . the barne and the house y^t^ Edmvnd water dwellythe in, dothe . . . . vnto the y^t^ house y^t^ Rycharde Daulton . . . . to be occ . . . . at all tym . . . . [worn away.]..... *factum est.*

also the sayd Jurye dothe appount [that] Rycharde hvnt gēt [gent.] shall vphoulde the gutter tre [tree] betwixt hym and Jhames

[1] This page is much torn at the edge.

[2] See p. 86.

traues soe y^t^ hyt be not hvrtfull vnto the Lands of the said Jhames and y^t^ this be done affore myhelmas [Michaelmas] next sub pena.....x^s^

also the sayd Jurye dothe fynde y^t^ Rycharde foxe the wyffe of ollyver cromtone the wyffe of Ihames webster haue not obcerued certene orders concernyng ther p^r^ues [privies] and gutters therfore we doe amercye them and euereye of them in xij^d^ apece also further we order the sayd Rycharde foxe the wyffe of ollyver cromtone the wyffe of Jhames webster shall not suffer eny p^r^uye [privy] to be occupyed in ther gutters vnles hyt be kept at the least iiij fouts [4 feet] frome thearthe in a berell and so to be co[n]ueid [conveyed] awaye from tyme to tyme y^t^ hyt be not noisome to enye ꝑsone vppone payne of eueriye of them offendyng the same v^s^ for euery tyme.....*fact est.*

also we doe order the afforesayd wyffe of ollyver cromton y^t^ she soe kepe hyr mydyng [midden] y^t^ [that] hyt come not vnto the palle [paling] ner walle of John gee ner neyre vnto the palle of Rycharde ffoxe but y^t^ she soe kepe the same frome tyme to tyme y^t^ hyt [it] be not noisome to ether of the sayd ꝑtyes vppone payne of x^s^ ner noe house adionyng vnto the same sub pena afforsayd....*factum est.*

also the sayd Jurye dothe appount [that] Rycharde hunt gēt [gent.] shall take downe y^t^ ꝑt [that part] of hys house y^t^ Lyethe vnto the house of Robart hardye and y^t^ this be donne affore myhelmas next sub pena.....v^s^

also the sayd Jurye dothe order y^t^ all thos y^t^ haue enye syngnes w^th^in this towne shall Repayre them[1] y^t^ men maye knowe wher and what they be and y^t^ this be done affore whytsondaye next sub pena iij^s^ iiij^d^.....*factum est.*

also the sayd Jurye dothe appount Robart marler to macke assuffytyent course at thende of hys felde so that the water y^t^ comythe downe newtone Lane maye passe frome tyme to tyme and y^t^ this be done affore whytsondaye next sub pena ... iij^s^ iiij^d^ .....*factum est.*

also the sayd Jurye dothe appount the wyffe of John bowker y^t^ she shall tacke awey a certene p^r^uye [privy] vppone hyr backsyde and to macke noe more ther and that this be done affore whytsondaye next sub pena.....v^s^.....*factum est.*

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[1] See p. 77.

also we doe p'sent Edwarde hansone to haue purchased sertene Lands of one of theyres [heirs] of Raphe pedley and therfore he to doe all soche seruys [service] vnto the Lorde as vnto the same lands dothe belong.

also we fynde henrye gyllat to be deptyd and y^{t} Ellen gyllat is hys doughter and eyre [heir] for one psell of Landes lyeng at the shudey hyll [Shude Hill] for the w^{che} is payd viij^{d} by yeare vnto the Lorde the sayd Ellen is about xvj yeares of age.

also we fynde thomas asshtone of Shepley[1] to haue purchased certene Lands of thurstane tyldysley[2] in openshaw and owethe to paye for the same vnto the Lorde iij^{s} by yeare and to doe soche seruys [service] as for the same dothe belong he to come in at the next courte Sub pena v^{s}

also we order george hollande to kepe the hesyng [eaves] of hys howse tordes Rycharde galley so y^{t} the water y^{t} comythe of the same house be not noisome vnto Rycharde galles house and so kepe the same frome tyme to tyme accordyng vnto anorder made vnto thomas wollat [Willot] and that this be done affore myhelmas next sub pena.....xx^{s}.....*factum est.*

also the sayd Jurye dothe order y^{t} all the burgeses wthin mamchestre shall fynde euereye of them anable mane in harnes[3] to wayte vppone the stuerde vppone the fayre daye sub pena. [These three lines crossed out.]

also the sayd Jurye dothe order y^{t} all the burgeses wthin mamchestere shall fynde eu'ey of them anable mane [an able man] or ꝺue [serve] himselffe well furneshed for that purpas wth byll[4] hobarde [halberd] or other wepone to wayte vppone the stuerde [Steward] vppone the fayre daye and this to contynew frome tyme to tyme sub pena.
Sub pena for every tyme so offendinge xij^{d} [This line crossed out.]

also we order y^{t} [that] Ryc̃ hvnt shall macke assuffytyent palle [pale or paling] or walle betwyxt the bothes and Edwarde sydall [his] shoppe so y^{t} [that] noe swyne ner other vnco̅uenyance [inconvenience] come into the gutter and so kepe the same frome tyme to tyme and that this be done affore myhelmas next sub pena v^{s}

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[1] Thomas Ashton, of Shepley, in the parish of Ashton-under-Lyne, was the son and heir of Henry Ashton, of Shepley, descended from a younger son of Ashton, of Ashton-under-Lyne. He married Elizabeth, daughter of John Tatton, of Withinshaw, co. Chester, and had issue.

[2] See p. 30. [3] That is, an able man in armour. [4] See p. 123.

[Manchester.] [2nd Oct., 1566.]

Cur cu[m] Vis [franc] pleg tent ibm Secundo die mensis Octobris Anno regni dñe nre regine Elizabethe dei gra anglie ffrauncie et hibernie regine fidei defensor etc. Octavo [1566].

Robartus Holme Jur
ffranciscus pendilton Jur
willmus Baguley Jur
Robartus marler Jur
Georgius Traves Jur
xpoferus Graunte Jur
Stephanus Browne Jur
Radus Choerton Jur
Richardus Galley Jur
Johnes Pendilton Jur
Robartus Hardey Jur
Robartus Oldom Jur
Antonius Shepard Jur
Jacobus Choerton Jur
Radus Radley Jur
Radus Birche als orchard Jur
Edwardus hanson Jur

Borouve Reve	Jacobus Chourton
Catche Polle	Richard Galley
Cunstables	Roger Bexwicke Nicholaus bexwicke
market lokers for Corne ...	Richard Tippinge Robert wilshae Thomas Eynswurthe Elys Costerdine
market lokers for flesshe and fysshe	Robartus wharnbie Edwarde Dyson
Myse layers	Antony Sheparde John haughton
Myse gatherers	Richard Awen Rauff Radley
Sealers of leth[r]	willm Strenfeloe [Strengfellow] Robart Radcliff
Market lokers for whitte meate...	Edwarde Birtinshae Robert Herdman Robert Bexwicke Leonarde Potterr George Bolton Elys Rothewell willm Hilton
Ale Coyners	Rauff Chouerton Hughe Shaclocke

Birlamen for marketstede lane ...	Rauff Gepson Edward Chorlton
Birlamen for Denisgate	Edmounde blomeley hughe bordmā shᵉm̄ [sherman]
birlamen for hanging diche ...	Henry Grenealgh Thomas Birche
Birlamen for mylnegate... ...	Thomas Royle Otuell Blomeley
Scevingers for Denisgate ...	willm Baguley Jamys Rilstons John Grenealghe
Scevingers for market stede and Sainct mary gate	Richarde Ramshae Richard Gee Hughe Oldom
Scevingers for marketstede lane	Thomas Bateson willm Hunte
Scevingers for the boughes vnto the Bridge	George Pendilton xp̃ofer Graunte
Scevingers for the fenel strete Huntes Bancke & vnto the Scole ende	Robart Langley Olyver Birche Elis Costerdine
Scevingers for the reste of the mylne gate	Jamys bordman Edmude Vngent [Nugent] xp̃ofer Turner
Officers for bread	Thomas Holte Rauff Dodge
Scevingers for the hangingc dyche & withingreve...	Steven browne Robert Grenealgh Robert Marlerr
Over seers for ffruits	Raynolde Steleson Olyuer Bowrhowse
Afferatorᵉ Curie	Robert Holme Robert Marlerr xp̃ofer Graunte George Birche
Praysers	Richard Galley [crossed out] Jamys whitwurthe Georgius Romsdene
Officers for makinge clene the market places	John Sidall Richard Ramshae
Note that if authᵉ [either] of thes psons do not do thair dewtie, thay or auther [either] of theme to be put furthe and other to be electe and put in by thes psons vz.	Georguis Traves Edwardus Hanson Georguis prowdluff Robertus Marlerr

The Jury dothe order that whearas Thomas willot hathe made a marle pitte vpon the lordes waste parcell of the comyn and also hathe encrowched vpon the same[1] therfore we do order that the said Thomas willot shall ley furthe and fille vpp the said pitte & Incrowchment, and so kepe the same that it maye be occupied as of olde tyme hathe bene accustomed, And that yt be done afore the ffeaste of Sainct John bap^te [June 24] next ensuinge, Sub pena thre poundes Six Shillings Eight pence, And further the said Jure dothe order that the said Thomas willot shall ley furthe the said Encrochement within xiiij^th dayes next ensunge Sub pena xl^s [40s.] [In the margin:—[en]crouchement fact est].

Also the Jure dothe order that George wirrall shall Convey and take awaye all his tymberr that lyethe after the churche yarde side betwixt the yate and huntes Bancke afore the feaste of all Sauncts next comynge Sub pena x^s.....*factum est.*

Also the Jure dothe order that John Davie shall take awaye his tymber that liethe in the Denisgate afore witsentine. Sub pena x^s .....*factum est.*

Also the Jurie dothe order that all men that hathe any tymber blockes and Stockes lyenge abrode within the towne of mamch^r in the Stretes shall take the same awaye furthe of the waye and Strete afore the feaste of all Sainctes [Nov. 1] next ensunge, and from hensfurthe do not laye any in suche placs and Strets Sub pena v^s.....*factum est.*

Also the Jurie dothe order that all men within the towne of Mamch^r shall pave afore there howses where in thay dwell afore the feaste of all saincts [Nov. 1] next comynge, And that no man suffer any suche breache of the paymente [pavement] hereafter afore theire dwellinge howses, the space of one monthe aftere suche breache Sub pena xij^d

Also we order that all maner person or persons what so ever thaye be shall not hereafter in any wise breake the order afore deuised [devised] and made concernynge weddinges and Ales[2] Sub pena

Also yt ys Ordered that all maner pson and persons kepinge eny backe howse [bake house] within the towne of Mamch^r shall not laye any Gorses or Kiddes[3] within too bayes of the oven or Ovens

[1] See p. 98. [2] See p. 95.

[3] "Kiddes" are small bundles of sticks or faggots. This order was directed to prevent the outbreak of fires in the town by sparks or hot ashes from the oven fires falling on the wood which was stored near them.

wheare thay or any of theme have any Ovens or backe howse from or after the feaste of all Saincts [Nov. 1] next cōmynge, sub pena xx^{s}

Also we finde that John Glover hathe purchased of Thomas Tetlowe too burgags too Orchardes and too Gardins lyenge in the Denisgate in mamch^{r} afore this tyme in ffee ferme for Everr, And now we finde that the saide John hathe also purchased the rent or fee ferme to him and to his heirs for Everr Painge [paying] to the lorde of this maner Six pence in chieff for Ever as by laufull conveyance or writinge thereof beringe date the xxvth daye of September Anno reg̃ni dñe nr̃e regine Elizabeth &c. Octavo et A° Dñi 1566 [as] more at large yt may and will appere.

Also we finde that John Davie hathe also Purchased too Burgags too orchardes and too Gardins lyeng in mamch^{r} in Denisgate to him and to his heirs for everr of the said thomas Tetlowe and payethe to the Lorde for his chieff Six pence.

Also we order that every Burges and Burges tenants shall from hensfurthe, ympounde suche cattels as have trespaced in the Lordes ffolde there to remayne vntill suche tyme as the awners of the cattels have made amendes for the trespas vpō whiche amendes made the beasts to have ffree passage without eny exac̃on or payment to anye officer And that no maner pson or psons afore remembred shall hereafter paye any Pondage or Some to any officer ner any other in his name Sub pena. [In the margin:—omitt et respectuat[1]]

Also wheare we haue considered that divers of our neybours burgeses of the towne of mamch^{r} having Laufull busines beinge absent from the greate lete and notwithstandinge have bene Amercyed we order that from hensfurthe, that yf the queste do take[2] and the lorde be Served that then the said pson or Burgesses havinge laufull busines or convenyent excuse, not to be amercied, for that tyme, Eny order heretofore Deuised ordeyned or made to the contrary in eny wise notwithstandinge.

Also we order that all maner of weightes within this towne shalbe made laufull according to the Statutes in that case prouidet, And that the same weights be prouidet and made in Brasse and sealed withe the towne Seale, And that weight beinge made trulye

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[1] Let it be omitted and respited.

[2] That is, if there be enough persons present to make up a jury on the inquest or inquisition.

and iustly, all others to be made after the same Rate vz. Six score poundes to the hundrethe and this to be done by the consent of all the other Burgeses.

And also yt ys ordered that every corviser [currier] within the towne shall kepe the Statute concernynge the curreinge [curing] of Lether Sub pena in [the] Statut in that case prouidet.

Also we order that euery ꝑson w^th^in this towne shall kepe their Swine in the night tyme in some laufull Swyne Coote, So that in no wise the same swine Do not go abrode in the night or lye in the churche yarde at any tyme hereafter Sub pena for euery tyme so offendi[n]g iiij^d^ And that euery person havinge Swine shall kepe theme vntill the Swinehearde take the same in the mornynge and so to kepe theme in the Evenynge for [*i.e.*, from] going into the strete or abrode Sub pena iiij^d^

Also we order that Rauff prowdluff shall remove a Swyne coote now adioynynge to the pale of ffrauncs Pendilton afore the feaste of saunt martin the busshop in winter [Nov. 11] next comynge Or elles to make suche provyc̃on as yt shall in no wise be hurtefull or noysome to the passers bie ffrauncs pendilton ner any other, Sub pena iij^s^ iiij^d^.....*factum est.*

Also whereas it is ordered before this tyme that vpon enformac̃on geuin That george holand gentilman shulde ffrome tyme to tyme vpon his awne proper costes and charges make such provic̃on and Shifte that the droppes yssuing and descending from a Burgage or howse of him the said george now Scytuate standing and being in mamchest^r^ in a Strete there cōmonly callyd thanging Diche into a gutter betwixt the Burgage of the said George and Richard Galley of mamch^r^ So that the same shuld not be preiudiciall or hurtfull to the Burgages of the said Richard ner any parte or ꝑcell thereof in eny maner Sub pena in the same order remembred Notwithestanding the said Richard Galley vpon diuers good reasonable causes and considerac̃ons Him thereunto especially mouing and also knowledging & considering that of righ[t] the said droppes cōmyng and descending and hereaft^r^ to come and descende from the said Burgage of the said george holland into the gutter there Ow [ought] to haue the concourse there accordingly He the said Ric̃ afore vs and in our prēns doothe couenante and Graunt for him and his heirs And also doothe binde him his heirs and assignes ffrom tyme to tyme at all tyme and tymes hereafter vpon his or their aw[n]e proper costs and chargs to defende the said droppes yssuing downe from the said Burgage by reasone of the said droppes or water vpon the howse or Burgage of the said Ric̃ Galley or any ꝑte or ꝑcell thereof And also now and from hensfourthe for euer to saue defend and kepe

harmeles the said George holland and his heirs and assignes anenst and agaynst the said Order and peyne therein contayned And for the more credit to be geuin herein aswed [*sic* for as well] the said Richard Gallay as the Jurie then empaneled at the greate Lete holden at mamch[r] in the countie of Lancaster haue Subscribed their names w[th] their awn hands the Secund day of October in the eight yere of the raigne of our soueraigne Lad[y] Elizabethe by the grace of god quene of England ffraunce and Ireland defendor of the faythe &c.[1]

Test JOH'M GLOVERR
clm ibm

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[1] Curiously enough among a number of deeds and papers relating to Manchester, which were kindly given to me by Captain Egerton Leigh, of the West Hall, High Leigh, Cheshire, is the one to which reference is made in the text as having been signed by Richard Galley and the Jury. An exact copy of this document, which of course agrees with that in the Court Book, here follows :—

APUD CUR MAMCESTR ALSO WHEARAS yt ys ordered before this tyme that vpon enformacon gevin that George Hollande gent. shulde from tyme to tyme vpon his awne proper costes and charges make suche provicon and Shifte that the droppes yssuinge and descendinge from a Burgage or Howse of hym the said George now Scytuate standinge and beinge in mamch[r] in a Strete there comonly called thanginge Diche into a Gutter betwixt the Burgage of the said George and Richarde Galley of Mamchestre So that the same shulde not be preiudiciall or hurtfull to the Burgage of the said Richarde ner any parte or parcell thereof in eny maner Sub pena in the same order remembred NOTWITHSTANDINGE the said Richard Galley vpon dyuers good reasonable causes and consideracons Hym thereunto especially movinge and also knowledginge and consideringe that of right the said Droppes comynge and descendinge and hereafter to come and descende from the said Burgage of the said George Hollande into the Gutter there Ow to haue the concourse there accordinglye He the said Richarde afore vs and in our prens dothe covenante and Graunte for hym and his heyrs And also dothe binde him his heirs and assignes from tyme to tyme at all tyme and tymes hereafter vpon his or thair awne proper costes and charges to Defende the said Droppes yssuinge downe from the said Burgage by reason of the said Droppes or waterr vpon the howse or Burgage of the said Richarde Galley or eny parte or parcell thereof And also now and from hensfurthe for ever to save defend and kepe harmeles the said George Hollande and his heirs and assignes anenst and againste the said Order and peyne therein conteyned And for the more Credit to be gevin herein aswell the said Richard Galley as the Jurye then empayneled at the greate Lete holden at mamch[r] in the countye of Lancastr have Subscribed thair names withe their awne handes the seaconde daye of October in the eight yere of the raingne of our soueraingne Ladie ELIZABETH by the grace of god quene of Englande ffraunce and Ireland defendo[r] of the ffaythe &c.

Concordat cum Original'
Test JOHM GLOVER clm ibm

(Signed) by me Rychard gallay

Johe Gregorye there receyue[r] & Deputye Stewarde	Robart Langley
Wyllyum baguley	Ihon hawghton
ffrancys pendylton	Adam Pilkintonn
Christopho[r] graunt	george Pendylton
George Travis	George prowdluffe
John byrche	

[Manchester.] [3rd April, 1567.]

Cur cu[m] Vis ffranc pleg tent ibm Die Jouis vz tercio die mensis Aprilis Anno regni dñe nre Elizabethe dei gra anglie ffrauncie et hibernie regine fidei defensor &c Nono [1567].

ffraunciscus Pendilton Jur
Georgius Pendilton Jur
Robartus Langlaye Jur
Johnes Haughtone Jur
Georgius Proudeloue Jur
Georgius Traues Jur
Willmus Bagulay Jur
Adamus Pilkintone Jur
xpoferus graunte Jur
Radus Chorlton Jur
Johnes Dauye Jur
Robartus Oldom Jur
Edwardus Hanson Jur
Randolfus massye Jur
Robartus Hardaye Jur

Willmus Radclyffe de mamcestr quer versus Joanā Jacson de mamcester pred vid in plito transgress ad dampnū ꝑ xxxix^{s} xj^{d} in domo ipsius willm p occasionem vnius Sterquilmj et cursū aque vt vlterius declarer intend.[1]

The Juri doothe psent that Rauffe Radlay is depter [*sic* for departed or dead] since the last courte and that Rodger Radlay his broth^{r} is his next cosin and heire and payethe to the Lord yerely and to doe for the same the dew suice accustomed.

The Jury doothe psent Thomas willot for that he hathe not Lede forthe a certayne incrouchement according to an order made the Last Lete.....idio in misericordia.....*factum est.*

The Jury doothe fynd that thomas hollande of clyfton gentilman[2] is depted [departed or dead] *synce the Laste curt* [crossed out] and willm Holland his sone is his sone and heire and owght to doe sute and suice and [pay the] rents dew & accustomed.

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[1] William Radclyffe, of Manchester, sues Joan Jacson, of Manchester, widow, in a plea of damage to the value of 39s. 11d. in the house of the said William on account of a dunghill and course of water [being stopped], as is intended to be further set out. (See also p. 110, where this dispute is referred to the Jury.)

[2] Thomas Holland, of Clifton, gent., was the son and heir of John Holland of that place, gent. He married Ellen, daughter of Thomas Langley, of Agecroft, Esq., and was buried at Eccles, 30th November, 1565. In his will, dated 8th July, 1565, he mentions his sons William, Robert, and Thomas, and his daughter Eleanor. He appointed his brother William and his (the testator's) son Robert his executors, and Sir William Radcliffe, of Ordsall, Knt., Alexander Radcliffe, his son and heir apparent, Edward Holland, of Denton, John Reddish, of Reddish, and Edmund Ashton, of Chadderton, Esquires, supervisors. (*Lancashire Visitation*, 1533 (Chetham Society), p. 217.)

Also the Jury doothe fynd that ℣ Edmund Traford knight[1] is decessed and Edmund Traford his sonne esquyer is his Heir and owe[s] suit and siruice w^th^ rent due and accustomed to the Lord of this Lete.

Also the Jury doothe find that thomas worthenton esquire[2] is Departed and Richard worthintonne his sonne is of thage of xviij yeares or thereaboutes & is his sone and Heire and owethe [the] sute rente & seruice due and accustomed.

Also the Jury doothe fynde that thomas Kirkebye is decessed and John Kirkebye his sonne is of full adge and owethe to the Lord the rents and seruice dewe and accustomed.

The Jury dothe order that all thos that owe any seruice to this court and Hathe not apered shalbe amercied at the discressions of the said farers [the affeerors] chosen at the laste court accordinge to an order thereof made.

Also the Jury doothe order that from the Howse of James Whitwourthe that he the saied James and all other havinge Landes betwixt the house of the saied James and the howse of Richard webster shall clense and make cleane their diches betwixt this & midsomer next in payne of v^s^ a pese.

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[1] Sir Edmund Trafford, of Trafford, Knt., was the son and heir of Sir Edmund Trafford, Knt., who died 28th June, 1533, by his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Ralph Longford, of Longford, co. Derby, Knt., who died 27th January, 1548. He married Anne, daughter of Sir Alexander Radcliffe, of Ordsall, Knt., by whom he had a family of seven sons and one daughter. Born in 1507, he was twenty-six years of age at his father's death in 1533, and in 1544 was knighted in Scotland by the Earl of Hertford. He took a very active part in public affairs in Lancashire, his name being frequently met with in documents relating to the civil and ecclesiastical affairs of that county. His son and heir, Edmund Trafford, Esq. (afterwards knighted), married for his first wife, Mary, daughter of Lord Edmund Howard, third son of Thomas, second duke of Norfolk, and the sister of Queen Katherine Howard, the fifth wife of Henry VIII., but by her had no issue. From the Inquisition *post mortem* of the Sir Edmund Trafford named in the text, he died seised of the manors of Trafford, Shelford, and Edgeworth, the right of fishing in the river Mersey, and messuages, lands, &c., in Whitfield, Withington, Yeldhouses, Rusholme, Fallowfield, Moss Side, Chorlton, Manchester, Harwood, Ancoats, Prescall, Sinderland, Hulme, Salford, and Urmston, together with divers manors and lands, &c., in Cheshire.

[2] Thomas Worthington, of Worthington, co. Lanc., Esq., the representative of a family long seated there, married Anne, daughter of Richard Ashton, of Croston, Esq., and died in 1566, leaving a son and heir, *Edward*, who is miscalled Richard in the text. (See *Lancashire Visitation*, 1613.) Edward Worthington married Margaret, daughter of John Orrell, of Turton, Esq., and had issue. The will of Thomas Worthington, Esq., dated 12th June, 1566, is still preserved at Chester, and in it he desires to be buried "in my parishe churche of Standyshe in the place where my auncestours do lye and have ben buryed there." He mentions "Anne my wyff," "*Edward* Worthington my son and heire apparent," "Dorothie Worthington my daughter," and appoints "Anne my wyffe and Edward Worthington my son" executors, and "the right worshipfull Edwarde Standyshe, Esq., supervysour."

the same to be done by y^e^ discrecon of Robart Langley georg prowdeloue william baguley and george travis.

The Jury doothe fynd y^t^ Gylbard Gerrarde esquire[1] ought & muste paye vnto the Lorde for gladen fildes[2] att clardenfyldes for and [*sic* for one] hole yeres rent.

Also the Jurye doothe order that george Holand and Robart Jepson shall afoore the faiste of penticost next comyng cause the mydinge [midden] or dongehille donging [adjoining] to the churche wales [walls] to be taken a waye and no more Heareafter to be lead there in payne of eyther of them so offending vj^s^ viij^d^

Also we fynde y^t^ thomas Leighe esquire,[3] must paye for the Landes and tenyments in chorltone pcell of the demeyne of the garett afforesaid for one Houle [whole] yeres Rent vj^s^

Also of the same thomas for one haulfe of certene burgages in the mylnegate pcell of the said garret Lands ix^d^

Also of thomas nowell esquier[4] for the holle yeares rent of y^e^ moitye of the gatte couts feldes[2] in the tenure of ffrauncis pendiltone pcell of the said demeyne Landes xij^d^

Also of the saied thomas Nowell for thoder haulfe of the said Burgages in the mylnegate psell of the saied Landes ix^d^

Also of Thomas wyllatt for the dodge medous[2] ij^s^ and y^e^ one haulfe of the gattey cout feldes for one yeres rente xij^d^

Also Wheareas we haue sene and pvsed [perused] certayne auncient euidence of recorde towching the Landes aboue remembred By reason whereof we thincke that the chieff rente aboue said owe

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[1] Gilbert Gerrard, Esq., subsequently created Sir Gilbert Gerrard, Knt., was the son and heir of James Gerard, of Ince, near Wigan, Esq., the second son of William Gerrard, of Ince, gentleman. He married Anne, daughter and heir of Thomas Ratcliffe, of Wimmerley, co. Lanc., Esq., by whom he had issue. He was Attorney-General, *temp.* Elizabeth, and Master of the Rolls. As noticed on p. 44, he was part owner of the Garrett estate, some portion of which is referred to in the text.

[2] The Gladen Fildes or Clayden Fields, called "Yeland ffildes" in 1564 (see p. 86), the Yatte Coutes Feldes, called "Gate Cote ffilde" in 1564, and the Dodge or Dog Meadows, are all referred to by name in the Rental of Sir Thomas West, Lord La Warr, taken in 1473 (printed in *Mamecestre* by John Harland, p. 492, &c.), when they were held by Henry, son and heir of Thomas Trafford [of the Garrett], paying for the former 4s., for the next 2s., and for the last 4s. to the lord yearly.

[3] Thomas Legh, of the East Hall, High Legh, Esq., one of the heirs of the Garrett in right of his wife. (See p. 44.)

[4] Thomas Nowell, of Read, Esq., another of the heirs of the Garrett. (See pp. 44, 86.)

[ought] to be payd as is aforesaide according to the said auncient euidence and recorde vnles any man afore the next court can & will shew eny Evidence to the contrarye.

Also the Jurie doothe order that whereas contrauery sute and variaunce hathe bene had Moued and stirde betwixt wiłłm Radclyffe of mamchester gentylman[1] and Jone Late wyffe of Thomas Jacsonne Deceassed of for and concerning one dunghill Lyinge in the market-stid lane[2] and Boothe parties of their owne accorde hathe put hit unto thorder of the Jury by mutuall consent the said Jury doothe order that the saied Jone Jacsonne shall make or cause to be made a causay withe a chanell downe the mydest thre foote brode all alonge the Howse of the foresaid willame vnto the further ende of the ouen house and so to kepe the said chanell clene from tyme to tyme so that hit shall not be hurtful to the said howses of the foresaid wiłłm Radclyffe and this to be done befoure the feaste of saincte John Baptyste [June 24] next ensuinge And yf the said Jone do not accomplyshe this order then the Jury doothe order that the said wiłłm shall haue the some of his hole accion [his whole action] against her commensed.....*factum est.*

Test JOH'M GLOVER Clim ibm.

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[1] See p. 66. [2] See p. 107.

[Manchester.] [1st Oct., 1567.]

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Cur cu[m] Vis ffranc pleg tent ibm die Mercurie vz. Primo die mensis Octobris Anno regni dñe nre Elizabethe dei Gra anglie ffrauncie et hibernie regine fidei defensor &c. Nono [1567] Coram Edwardo comit Derbie Senescallo ibm.

Inquico capt per Sacrament	Robartus Langley Jur̃	Robartus marlerr Jur̃
	Robartus Hulme Jur̃	Johannes Haughtō
	Thomas willatte Jur̃	Radulfus chourtō [Chorlton]
	Georgius pendiltonne Jur̃	Radulfus Byrche
	Anthonius sheparde Jur̃	Stefanus Broune
	Johannes Byrche Jur̃	Johes Davye
	Robartus Oldam Jur̃	Rodgerus radlaye
	Robartus Hardaye Jur̃	

Bowroreve	John Davye
Catchepole	Richard gallaye
Cunstables	hughe Shaclocke William Hunt
Market lokers for corne... ...	Ric̃ Raynshay John symsonne Robart wilshawe Robart wustencrofte
Market lokers for ffyshe and flesshe	Alexander potter william wharmebye
Myse Layers	Ric̃ Cobcrofte Robart grenehoughe
Myse getherers	John postilles Peter Barlow
Sellers of lether	Thomas strengfelow Robart Oldam
Market lokers for white mete in [Ma]rket stide lane	Adam Pilkentone Ric̃ Hunte
ffor suche lyke in the mylne gate	John spenser Ric̃ Kilner

ffor the lyke in the Denysgate ...	Adam Hill Christofer Adkenson
ffor the lyke in Hunts Bancke ...	Rauffe Bordman
ffor the same in the withengreue	Thomas Birche
Officers for Bred	Robart chetam John garnet
Ale founders	Thomas chorltone phillypp Daltonne
Birlamen for the market stid lane	Thomas Batsone Nycholas Byrtynshay
Birlamen for the Denysgate ...	Hughe Bordman glouer Edmund Leese
Birlamen for withen greue & hanging dyche	James fletcher Thomas scofeld
Byrlamen for mylne gate ...	Peter shalcros Andrew raynshay
Scevingers for market styd Lane	ffrauncis pendiltonne John Bexwicke
Scevingers for Denysgate ...	Ric̃ Harysonne Anthony Shepard John Glouer
Scevingers frō the Boothes to the Smethy dore and so to the bridge	George Pendiltonne Christofer Graunt
Scevingers frō ffenel strete to the schole house	Robart Langlaye Elys Costerdyne Rodger Bexwicke
Scevingers for the marketstide ...	willm̃ Radclyffe Omfray haughton
Sceuingers for y^e^ sainct mary gate	Ric̃ Adlingtone
Scevingers for mylnegate ...	Richard marshall Myles Gylford
for the making clene of the marketstede	Ric̃ Raynshay Ric̃ Graye
Sceuingers for hanging diche & mele gate	Robart marler Thomas houlte
Swyneherd[1]	Richard Raynshay

[1] This is the first time the swineherd has been appointed at these Courts. His duties have already been defined by the successive orders made by the Jury. (See pp. 55, 58.) He had to collect the swine in the town in the early morning, drive them to Collyhurst common, and there look after them during the day and drive them back to their respective quarters at nightfall. This old custom is still kept up in some of the smaller continental towns, and it is curious to note how the swine come out of their cotes at the sound of the swineherd's horn in the morning, and how they return to their own quarters at night.

Oversiers for fruts[1]	... ...	George Kendricke George thourppe
Afferator huius curie	... ...	Thomas willat John Haughtonne Anthony shepart John Byrche

In primis the Jury dothe ffinde that Sir John biron knight[2] ys deceased syns the last courte and John biron esquier ys his sonne and Heire and owethe Suyte and Service to this courte and payethe certayne chieff rentes accordig as yt hathe bene accustomed.

Itm the Jurie dothe also finde that Thomas Harison of Stretforde ys deceased but who ys his right heir they do not perfightly knowe &c[3]

ORDINACOES FACT PER AUCTHORITAT CUR VT SEQUIT &C.

In Primis the Jury dothe order that all the Juries from hensfurthe Impaneled in the courte within this maner, shall from tyme to tyme vpon thair presentmēt bringe in costes and damages laufully demaunded of the partie greved, whether yt be the partie defend[ant]

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[1] This is the first time this officer has been appointed; for his duties see *postea*.

[2] Sir John Byron, of Clayton, near Manchester, Knt., was the son and heir of Sir Nicholas Byron, of Clayton, Knt. By his second wife, Elizabeth, daughter of William Costerdine, of Blakeley, near Manchester (the widow of George Halgh, of Halgh, co. Lanc.), he had a son and heir, John Byron, of Clayton, Esq., born "ante nuptias," who was made heir to his father by "deed of gift." (See *Lancashire Visitation*, 1567, Chetham Society.) This John Byron married Alice, daughter of Sir Nicholas Strelley, of Strelley, co. Notts, Knt., and had issue. Sir John Byron, who was the purchaser of Newstead Abbey, made his will 17th August, 1558, and, as Canon Raines remarks (*Lancashire Chantries*, pp. 14-15, note), he therein vindicates the Popish doctrines more in the style of an ecclesiastic than a layman, and declares that he "fyrmelie and stedfastlie beleves every poynte and article of our faithe as the holie Catholique and knowne churche doth beleave and command us the children and members of the same to beleve owte of the whiche churche there is no salvation. And I utterlie deteste and abhor the Manaches Th'arrians Th'annabaptists and the Sacramentaries and all other Hereticks with ther damnable sectes and opinions praying and beseiching Almyghtie God to revocate and call home agayne all them that have severid and devidid themselves from the saide Catholique church by ther misbeleve that they may be maid inheritours of Heaven." This will was proved at York, 31st May, 1567. His widow, Elizabeth, survived him several years, and was buried at the Collegiate Church, Manchester, in 1580, as thus entered in the register there:—

> "1580 August 25. the funerall of the Right Worshipfull Elizabeth Wydoe to S[r] John Byron Knight [was celebrated] her corps buried the 25 daye of Julye last."

[3] See p. 116.

founde in defaulte; Or the parti plantiff vpon wrongful demaunde of any dett clamed againste the deffendante according to the laudable custome and lawes of this Realme.

Also the Jury dothe order that wheare there is a Dunghill or medinge [midden] in thoccupac̃on of the late wiff of John bowkerr that from hensfurthe the said wiffe shall not at any tyme hereafter suffer the Dunge Garbiche and bludd of any beast to be layde vpon the meding or dunghill vpon payne of euery tyme so doinge or p̄mittinge the same to be done vj^{d}

In lyke maner the Jurie doothe order that wheareas dyuers dighers [dressers] of Lether have dight [dressed] the same ner vnto the well and wasshing place Lying and being nere the wheate mylne shall not from hence forthe do any suche lyke worke there sub pena of e$\overline{\text{u}}$y one for euery tyme so offending iij^{s} iiij^{d}

Also wheareas dyuers Butchers hainge standings and fleshe Bordes in the market place do not occupye the same according as others doe to the commen welth of the market yt is ordered that all suche persons as haue any suche and do not occupie the same shall from hensforthe occupie their said bordes according to their occupations e$\overline{\text{u}}$y monethe once at the Least or elles the same place or standing to be apoynted by the discreacion of the borowreve to suche other as shall & will occupie the same accordinglie.

Also we order that no maner p̄son or persons what so euer they be shall not hereafter in any wyse p̄sume to breake the order afore deuised and made concerning weddings and ales[1] sub pena according to the order before made.

Also the Jurye doith order that no butchers standinge shalbe sett benethe the borde or Rome [room] that Raphe Cooke nowe standethe on or occupiethe nether benethe the borde or Rome yt John woode now occupiethe but that all the waye benethe thyer bourds shuld be open that all men maye pas to & froe wth cart & cariadge & this to stande as a lawe for ever.

I$\overline{\text{t}}$ wereas diuers haue vsed heretofore to put fourth their swyne in the morning before the Swinherd doe come we order that from henceforthe no man shall put fourth their swine be foore the tyme y^{t} the swinherd do bloe [blow] his horne in the strete anenst the place where the[y] dwell sub pena for euery tyme so offending ... xij^{d} And also the Swinherd shall bloe his horne e$\overline{\text{u}}$y morning sub pen xij^{d}

[1] See p. 94.

The Jurie ys concluded and agreed by the consents of thenhabitants of mamchester that randill Lighe & Richard wirrall shalbe weytes [waits][1] of our towne of mamchester yf they from tyme to tyme doe their duties in Playing mornying and euening to gether according as others haue bene heretofore accustomed to doe And yf the said waytes doe not their duties in the p'misses then it is agreed by the lyke consent y^t^ maister steuard Robart Langley gen̄ Thomas willat George Pendilton Robart marler & Jhon Haughtone shall at all tyme & tymes vpon their mysdemayner put forthe eyther of them so offending and place other in rowmes according to their discrec̄ons & that thay do not absent them selues w^th^out lycence of the Steward & too of the persons aboue said at the least at no tyme sub pena of the forfating of their said office.

Test JOH'M GLOVERR clim ibm.

LETTER FROM THE EARL OF DERBY
DATED 4TH NOV., 1567.

[The following autograph letter from the Earl of Derby, the Steward of the Court Leet, dated 4th November, 1567, and probably addressed to the affeerors of the Court, may here be printed. It occurs in the original volume a few pages earlier, having been stitched to some loose leaves for preservation. See p. 64, note 2.]

Welbylouyd wheras in pformacon & fit [?] establisshemēt of a cōmēdable ordre made in my lord la warr his co'te at māchest^r^ that no pson in manchest^r^ shuld make any weddyng Dynn̄ theare to take any more money then iiij^d^ for eny polle for their dynn̄s[2] I did write my lett's vnto you, which albeit was obs̄ued for a tyme now I psave [perceive] lyttill regard is hade therunto ner reformacon on yo^r^ behalf by punysshemēt by fyne or otherwayse whereof I do n̄vell [marvel] Wherfore thiese are to Syngnyfye you my pleysou^r^ is that considyng it is to be obs̄ued for the cōmon welthe good rule and quietnes off the inhabytunts that ye shall have an ernest regard to the obs̄vacon & cōtynuaunce therof as ye will haue my ffavo^r^ and not to ffayle in ony wyse

ffrom new pke [New Park][3] my howse the iiij^th^ of November 1567.

You^r^ lovyng m^r^

EDWARD DERBY

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[1] See p. 83. [2] See p. 94.

[3] New Park was the local residence of the Earl of Derby at Alport Town, then in the suburbs of Manchester.

[Manchester.] [22nd April, 1568.]

Cur cum Vis ffranc pleg tent ibm die Jovis vz xxij° die mensis Aprilis Anno regni dñe nre Elizabethe dei gra anglie ffrancie et hibernie regine ffidei deffensor &c. Decimo [1568] Coram Johñi Gregory Sub Senescallo ibm.

Inquico capt per Sacrament vz	Willmus Radclyff Jur	Georgius Traues Jur
	Robartus Langlaye Jur	Robartus Oldom Jur
	ffranciscus pendilton Jur	Henricus Gee Jur
	Georgius proudeloue Jur	willmus Bybbye Jur
	Johanes Gee Jur	Radulfus chourton Jur
	Thamas willot Jur	willmus Raualde Jur
	willmus Bagulaye Jur	Jacobus chorlton Jur
	Jacobus Rylstone Jur	Edwardus Hanson Jur

Johnes haughton de mamcestr in com Lanc draper et burg quer versus willmu Hardey de eadm draper et burg in plit covenñt ffract ad dampu g xiiij^{li} g xiiij^{li} vt plenius appar in Rotul vel libro debit ipius g &c.[1]

The Jurie dothe present that whereas thomas harisonne of stretford is deseased we doe fynde that thomas harisonne his sonne and heire is of Laufull adge and redye to doe the Lord suice according to the custome and of the Lawe.

The Jurie doothe order that whosoeuer hathe any tymber Lying after the churche walle shall take the same awaye before the feast of penticoste next ensuing and that no man shall from hence fourthe Laye any tymber there Sub pena... ... ... x^{s}

Also it is ordered by the Jurie that wheareas there is a holowe place nere vnto the cundithe [conduit] vpon the este syde that willm Radclyffe gentilman[2] shall make athird pte thereof and that mystris becke[3] or the heirs of Robart Becke shall make the reste that is to saye too ptes and so to kepe the same sufficient from tyme to tyme betwixt this & michaelmas next sub pena ... ... v^{s}

[1] John Haughton, of Manchester, co. Lanc., draper and burgess, sues William Hardey, of the same place, draper and burgess, in a plea of a broken covenant to the value of 14s., as more fully appears in his roll or book of debts, &c.

[2] See p. 66. [3] See p. 34.

Also the Jurie doothe order that whereas Rauffe pentylton vpon good consideracion had graunted vnto him a ꝑcell of colyhurste commonly called tyll hill to bylde and howse vpon and not to in close any further then first was appoynted for that the said Rauffe as is supposed hathe further incrowched then he ought to haue done and yf it soo shall ꝑue [prove] that then the said Rauffe shall Laye forthe y^e^ same unto thay common befoure the feaste of penticost sub pena ... ... xx^s^

The Jury doothe order that the wyffe of Thomas Jacson and Ric̃ Webster shall make clene a gutter or curse [course] of water from tyme to tyme Before the feaste of penticoste next ensuing & so to contynew sub pena... ... ... x^s^

The Ju[ry] [in] Lyke maner doothe order that wheareas there be noysum Displeasures as prives dunghilles and swynecotes placed & sett in gardins & other places to the Displeasure of Neighbours and passers by an[d] contrary to the order before taken.

The Jury doothe now order that all those as haue any suche or maye haue hereafter shall so vse them from tyme to tyme as shall not be noysum or hurtfull to their neighbours or passers by sub pena... ... ... x^s^

The Jurie doothe order that whereas good order heretofore hathe bene taken concerning swyne and good order for the same it is now agreed that all thos that haue any swyne shall suffer the same to be convayed to colihurst by the swynherd paying for euery swyne j^d^ a quarter or elles to kepe them vpon their backe sydes or kotes [cotes] so that they do not come into the streete sub pena v^s^

Also we do order y^t^ these whose names doe folow shall se[e] that thes orders Heretofore [made] shalbe obs̃ued [observed] and kepte wiłłm Radclyffe gentilman[1] John Gee Rauffe proudlowe Edward hanson wiłłm bagulay James Rilstons Thomas willat gen̄ George proudloue James chorlton & Robart oldam Rauffe chourlton hughe Thorpe Elys costerdyne & Robart chitam

The Jurie doothe order that Ric̃ morton alias pointer shall not onlye Staye the wayter [water] that commeth from his lyme pyttes but also ortings [remnants] and flesshings of his skines[2] and also the drenche watters [swillings][3] that they come Not in the diche betwixt this [date] and Penticoste sub pena ... ... x^s^

[1] See p. 66.

[2] "Ortings and flesshings of his skins" would mean the remnants or bits of skin not wanted, and the scrapings of flesh taken off the skins in preparing them.

[3] "Drench water" was the water used to "drench" or steep the skins in by those who prepared the skins for the tanners.

Also it is ordered that Thomas aunswourthe or any after there dwelling shall [not] suffer any water to be cast vpon the bacsyde of his [house] so that it be noysum vnto James Ridilstones or any other. And also that he make his pale laufull and so kepe the same from tyme to tyme sub pena of eūy [every] tyme so offending ... v^{s}

Also it is ordered that Richard fox or any other their dwelling shall kepe any dung hill or suffer any dunge to be Layd or earthe one [on] his backesyde that shall be preiudiciall or hurtfull to the Lande of Ric̄ chorlton or to the howse y^{t} now John Gee dwellethe in but kepe hit iiij footes from the same Landes sub pena for eūy tyme so offending ... ... v^{s}

The Jury now doothe present that whereas James chourton hathe bylde a howse in the mylne gate and complaynt made by Richard platte that hit was set forther then of right hit ought to be we the forsaid Jurye pervsing [*i.e.*, viewing] the same cane [can] fynd no faulte in the standing of the said howse.

The Jurye doothe order that George churton or any other their dwellinge shall not onlye take awaye thair erthe & dunge or any other thing that is noysum vnto the howse or hedge of wiłłm Radclyffe gentilman but also Laye no more there wherby the said wiłłm shalbe hurt or harmed sub pena ... ... v^{s}

The Jurie doothe order that whereas Alexander massye hathe a dunghill Lying to the bricke wall of the howse of ffrauncis pendilton we order that no suche dunghill shall lye nere the same wall yf so be that hit shalbe hurtfull to the said frauncis and kepte so from tyme to tyme & taken awaye ymmediatlye vpon payne of ... v^{s} [written in the margin :—Mrs. Sorocoulde].

The Jurye doothe order that the wyffe of wyffe of [*sic*] olyū [Oliver] crompton shall kepe her mydding [midden] that hyt shall not be hurtfull to her neyghbours sub pena ... ... v^{s}

Also we order that no manⁿ [manner] p̄son or p̄sons what so eū they be shall not hereafter in eny wyse p̄sume to breake the order afore demysed & made concernyng weddings and alles [ales][1] according to the order before made sub pena ... ... x^{s}

[1] See p. 94.

[Manchester.] [6th Oct., 1568.]

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Cur cum Vis ffraunc pleg tent apud mamcestr in com̃ Lancastr die mercurie vz. vj^{to} die mensis Octobris Anno regni dñe nr̃e Elzbethe dei gr̃a anglie ffrauncie et hibernie regine fidei defensor &c. Decimo [1568].

Inquic̃o capt per Sacrament vz	Thomas Chaderton	Johnes Gee
	Thomas willott	Johnes Birche
	Georgius proudeloue	willmus hardey
	Robartus Langley	Ranulphus massie
	Georgius Pendilton	Henricus Gee
	ffranciscus Pendilton	Robartus Oldom
	willmus Baguley	Jacobus choureton
	Robartus marler	Jacobus Lancashire
	xp̃oferus Graunte	Edwardus hanson

Borowe Reve	Christofer Graunt Jur̃
Catche polle	Rycharde Galleye Jur̃
Cunstables	Robarte Grenealghe Hughe Thorpe
Market Lokers ffor Corne ...	Robarte Chetame Raffe Chouretonne Rauffe Birche de melle gate Rauffe Bexwicke
Market Lookers for fishe and fleshe	Thomas Hiltonn James wulstencrofte
Myse Layers	ffraunc̃ Pendiltonn George Proudelove
Ale founders	Johne spenser Robarte wilshoe
Birlamen ffor ma'ket stede Lane	Rauffe Jepson Ryc̃ webster
Birlamen ffor Deynisgate ...	Edmunde Dycanson John Glouer
Birlamen for wthingreve and Hanginge Dyche	Ric̃ Moretonn Adame Pilkentonn
Birlamen for the millne gate ...	Edmunde Nugente Henrie Adamsonn

Scevingers ffor market stede Lane	wiłłm Hunte John Gee
Myse gatherers	Rycharde Marshall Rycharde Cobcrofte
Sealers off Lether	Rycharde brucke Ottuell Johnsonn
Market Lokers for white meate in the milne gate	Ameros bibbye Robarte bexwicke
Market Lokers for white meate in market stede Lane	Edwarde Chorltone Thomas batson tanner
Market Lookers for white in hunts bancke	Vane Garlicke
Market Lookers for white meate in Deanesgate...	John Grenehauge John Halowse
Market Lookers for whyte meate in wthingreve	Robarte Hollande
Market Lookers for white meate at the smethie doare	Wiłłm Awen Henrie Haughton
Officers electe for the assyse and holsome makinge of breade ...	Thomas Houlte John Cowope
Afferator huius Curie	George Pendiltonn Wiłłm Hardaye Wiłłm baguley George Proudeloue
Swinearde [Swineherd]... ...	Ri^{c} Reyneshawe senior
Scevingers ffor the Denisgate ...	Wiłłm baguley Peter barlowe Robarte ffaringtonn
Scevingers ffrom the boothes to the smethie dore & so to the bridge	George Pendilton Christopher Graunte
Scevingers for marketstede ...	Henrye Gee Omfraye Haughtonn
Scevingers from fenell strete to the scole house	Robarte Langlay Elis Costerdyne Roger bexwicke
Scevingers for the seyncte Marie gate	Richard Renshawe [blank]
Scevingers for the millne gate ...	George Proudeloue Thomas willot
Scevingers for the Hanginge dyche & meale gate	Edwarde Hansonn Robarte Marler
Officers for the makinge kleane of the market place	Ri^{c} Reyneshawe Ry^{c} Graye

Officers for fruts... ... ... { Robarte Pilkentonn / Oliver bowerhouse

Praysers pro vill de mamcestr ... { James whiteworthe / George Romsdayne

Inprimis the Jurie doothe fynde that whereas by anorder afore made that nether horse mare or geldinge shalbe tyed in any place of the market to haue any meate geuen them by any man sub pena iiij^{d} according to the order afore said. [In the margin :—The order for keping clene of the market place aboute the cundethe.]

The Jurie doothe order that whereas about the condithe [conduit] in the olde market place stande cowpers [coopers] and occupyers of wood ware and suche as sell apples that they and euery of them shall paye to the officers that makethe clene the same place euerye quarter j^{d} and of euery pauyer [purveyor] of apples or suche lyke frutes ij$^{[d]}$ to be geuen to the maker clene of the same place.

The Jurie doothe order that all those that shall bringe any fishe vnto the smithie doore to be solde shall sett their boordes that hathe thair fishe vpon over the chanell vnles John Haughton christofer graunte Robart marler and Nicholas Becke doe see other causes whereby yt shulde not so be and they to appoynt them howe they shall set their bordes. [In the margin :—The man [manner] of Sellinge of ffisshe.]

Also the Jury doothe fynde and p^{r}sent that Richart chourlton is depted synce the laste courte daye and Edward chorletone his sone and heire is of Laufull yeres to do sute and seruyce to the Lorde dew and accustomed.....*factum est.*

All the ivrie doothe p^{r}sent sauing George p[r]oudelowe [Pendilton crossed out] that Edward Janney is ded and that Edward alen[1] is his next cosyn [*i.e.*, next of kin] and heire and is at laufull yeres to do suite and seruice to the Lord dew and accoustome[d] for the landes that he holdethe of the Lorde.....*factum est.*

The Jurie hathe geuen [a] daye to Richard Shalcrosse vnto the nexte courte daye to bringe in his evydence vnto the Jury of the next court that the Lord may be aunswered of the tenant and the Landes and how he shalbe aunswered of the same suite & seruice.

[1] The death of Edward Janney, of Manchester, merchant, was announced at the Court held – October, 1553 (see p. 7), when the Jury then returned that they did not know who his next heir was. By his will, dated 22nd July, 1553 (*Lanc. & Ches. Wills*, Chetham Society, i., 157–162), he left all his houses, shops, &c., in Manchester to his wife for her life, and then (the tavern at the Smithy Door only excepted) to *Henry Allen*, his heirs and assigns for ever. Henry Allen was then probably under age. There is no mention of any *Edward* Allen in the will, but it would appear that he was the elder brother of Henry Allen, for at the Court held 5th October, 1580, his death was announced, and Henry Allen was returned as his brother and next heir.

The Jurye doothe saye that william holland esquyer[1] was founde tenant to the Lorde in the eight yere of the quenes maiestie that now is [1567] and hathe not come in synce that tyme to doe his ꝟuice according to the custome of the maner ideo misericordia xij^{d} and further we order that the said wiłłm shall appere and dooe his sute at the next courte daye vpon payne of vj^{s} viij^{d}

The Jury doothe p^{r}sent that Thomas Sydall shall come in at the next courte to doe his sute Sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d}.....*factum est.*

The Jury doothe afferme that dyuers orders heretofore made concernyng weddinges and ales[2] shalbe and contynew in force and effecte accordinge aswell to the effecte of the letters of the right honorable therle of Derbye[3] as also by the consente aforesaid and for the accomplishement of the p^{r}myss [premises]. [In the margin:— Confirma[con] of [the] order concerninge weddings.]

We ordeyne George Traves John haughtonne Thomas willot and myles gilford officers for the same to see the said order to be ꝑformed and to p^{r}sente thoffendors.

The Jurye doothe order that noe maner of ꝑson or ꝑsons shall from henceforthe Laye caste or taye [take] any carren [carrion] or any other thinge w^{ch} shalbe noysum or hurtefull vnto the water of erke [Irk] or vnto any neyghbours or any other ꝑsone or ꝑsones havinge occacion to occupye the same (officers for the same) Robart Langley Thomas willot and Randall massye Sub pena euery tyme so offending ... ... iij^{s} iiij^{d}

Also whereas there was anorder made at the Laste courte Betwixt wiłłm Radclyffe and mystris becke for the pavinge of one holle [hole] nere the cundithe [conduit] as doothe appere by the said order[4] we haue consydered of the p^{r}myss ꝟ [premises] and geuen daye vnto the next courte to the ꝑties for the makinge of the said hole accordinge to the said order vpon a gretter payne vz x^{s}.....*factum est.*

It is agreed by the Jurye that A daye shalbe appoynted for the mendinge of the cundithe [conduit] that is the xvth of october and there to mete aboute the same and John Gee & george pendilton whome the[y] thincke hathe any money or landes for the same.[5]

[1] See p. 107. [2] See p. 94. [3] See p. 115. [4] See p. 116.

[5] Certain lands appear to have been left for the repair of the Conduit, and also, no doubt, legacies were left from time to time by various persons, of which sums and the rents of the said lands John Gee and George Pendleton were the treasurers. (See also p. 136.)

We ffinde that Richard ffoxe hathe purchased a Burgage in milnegate of ffrauncis chaliner and payethe yerelye to the Lorde vij^{s} viij^{d}

Also we confirme and allowe the order before made[1] concernyng the burgesses to wayte upon the Stewarde vpon the feare [fair] dayes holden at mamch^{r}. [In the margin :—Attendance vpon the Steward.]

Itm we order that ffrom hensfurthe euery pson beinge appointed to watche shall bringe wth him a Jacke[2] a Sallet[3] and a bill[4] at the Least, And that the constables for the tyme beinge shall admyt none excepte thaye be so providet vnder the payne of vj^{s} viij^{d}

Also the cunstables from hensfurthe shall take sufficient seurties of the foren [foreign] offendors or strangers that make bralles [brawls] or offende or elles the cunstables to aunswere the same.

Test JOH'M GLOUERR
ibm cticm

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[1] See p. 100.

[2] A stout leathern jacket affording protection to the neck and chest.

[3] A headpiece or skull cap made of iron. Shakespeare uses this word (2 Henry VI., iv., 10), thus :—

"But for a *Sallet*, my brain-pan had been cleft with a crows-bill."

[4] A bill was a kind of axe with a long convex blade. When affixed to a long pole it was called a halberd.

[Manchester.] [14th April, 1569.]

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Cur cum Vis ffraunc pleg tent apud mamcestr in com̃ Lancaster die Jovis vz Decimo quarto die mensis Aprilis Anno regni dñe nr̃e Elizabethe dei gr̃a anglie ffrauncie et hibernie regine fidei defensor &c Vndecimo [1569] caram *(sic)* Johñi Gregorie gener̃ subsenessallo Edwardo comit derbie capitał Senescallo ibm &c.

Inquic̃o capt p Sacrament	Willmus Baguley	Jurat	Henricus Gee	Jurat
	Thomas wyllott		Robartus Hardey	
	Richus Platte		Ranulphus massy	
	Johnes Birche		Radus Birche	
	Jacobus Chourton		Jacobus Lancashire	
	Robartus Oldom		Rauff Chouerton	
	Edwardus Hanson		Thomas Harison	
	ffrauncisus pendilton			

Thomas willot de mamcestr in com lancastr pred genor̃ quer versus ffranciscu̇ Pendilton de eadm in plito Debit Iniust detenc̃ois xiij^{s} vj^{d} Quos ei debet et Iniust detinet pro Servic et labor per servos suos fact vt vlter declar̃ intend pro vt &c ad arbitrament Johñis gregori et Thome Trafforde[1]

ffranciscus Pendilton de mamcestr predict quer versus Thomam willot de eadm in plito debit xvj^{s} Quos ei debit &c pro vt &c ad arbitraament Johñis Gregorie et thome Trafforde[2]

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[1] Thomas Willot, of Manchester, co. Lanc. aforesaid, gent., sues Francis Pendleton of the same place in a plea of unjust detention of a debt of 13s. 6d. which he owes and unjustly detains on account of services and labour made by his servants, and further declares, &c., and leaves the matter to the arbitration of John Gregory [the deputy steward] and Thomas Trafford.

[2] Francis Pendleton, of Manchester aforesaid, sues Thomas Willot of the same place in a plea of debt of 16s. which he owes him, &c., and leaves the matter to the arbitration of John Gregory and Thomas Trafford.

The Jurie hathe geuen [a] day to Richard shalcrosse[1] vnto the nexte courte daye to bringe in his evidence vnto the Jurye of the nexte courte that the Lorde may be aunswered of the tenant and Landes and how he shalbe aunswered of the same suite & seruice.

The Jury doothe In lyke maner presente that Ric̃ shalcrosse hathe brought in his Evydence con̄nynge certayne Landes Lying and being in denesgate in the towne of mamch[r] conteȳinge tow acres and thre cottages now in the occupacions of his mother mystris marler[2] [and] John Glouer and shall doe ſuyce therefore due & accustome[d] to the Lorde of the fee w[ch] Landes and cotages he Bought of James shalcros[3] brother of the foresayd Richarde.

Also the Jurye doothe pñte that Robarte Sidall is sonne and heire of Nicholas Sidall in the right of his mother and is heire vnto suche Landes as his mother is possessed of & oethe sute & ſuice to the lord of the soyle dew & accustomid.

The Jurie doothe order that wheareas Thomas Sidall hathe disobayed a norder made at the Laste courte and not comme in to doe his sute and service we order that he shall come at the next courte Sub pena vj[s] viij[d].....*factum est.*

It is ordered of the Jurye that wiłłm holland of clyſton esquire[4] hathe made defaute as concernyng non apparance wherefore the Jurie doothe order that he shall come in at the next courte to doe his sute and ſuice due and accustome[d] to the lord of the soyle Sub pena xiij[s] iiij[d].....*factum est.*

Also the Jurie doothe order that whereas certane officers were appointed at the last courte to loke to the order and orders here to fore made concerning weddinges and ales[5] we order that the same officers shalbe sworne to doe thair duties in the presentement of the defaltes [defaulters] and the same order to stand in effecte according to the com̄andement of the right honorable therle of Derbye Sub pena to the orders afore made.

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[1] This Richard Shallcross, as appears by the next paragraph, was a younger son of Richard Shallcross, of Manchester, who died *c.* 1554. (See p. 15 and p. 23.)

[2] Anne Shallcross, the widow of Richard Shallcross (and daughter and ultimately co-heiress of George Trafford, of the Garrett, Esq., see p. 44), married for her second husband John Marler, of Manchester, before September, 1562.

[3] James Shallcross was the eldest son of Richard and Anne Shallcross. He is described as "of Lichfield, gent.," in 1573.

[4] See p. 107, and p. 122.

[5] See p. 122.

The Jurye doothe requeste m^{r} Stewarde ffor and in the Name of the Lord to make a payre of stockes[1] and buttes[2] for the Inhabitance of the towne of mamchester wth spede convenyent, also the Inhabitance of the towne of mamch^{r} doothe requeste to haue one quarteren weight of bras and the weight to be xxx^{li} [30 pounds] and also one other weight of xv^{li} [15 pounds] for to trye all other weightes that they be iuste and true.

The Jurie doothe geue thaire consentes of the wayteshipp to Randall Lyghe[3] [Legh] hollye [wholely] wth one other to ꝑue [serve] wth him of his awne ꝑuantes [own servants] vpon a condicion that the towne be well ꝑued [served] and we wolde desyre maister steward to doe the same wth [*i.e.*, agree with] the reste of the towne.

The Jurie dothe order that Richarde hunt gentillmane[4] and william Radclyffe gentilman[5] shall sclence [cleanse] the gutter and make a sufficient pale at the boothes dorre so that the same gutter be not noysum to the passers by & the same to be dune betwixt this and the feaste of penticoste next ensuing sub pena ... ... v^{s}

And affor all other orders afore made we alowe and ratefye and the payne to be dew accordinge to the orders afore made.

Test JOH'M GLOVERR
Clm ibm.

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[1] The Stocks were then, and until quite modern times, a necessary erection in every town or parish. They consisted of two stout pieces of wood fixed in wooden supports, and having two holes through which the legs of those to be punished were put. The upper portion was then padlocked to the lower and the culprit was left sitting in the stocks till his time of punishment was up.

[2] See p. 55.

[3] See p. 83 and p. 115.

[4] Richard Hunt was the then living representative of an old Manchester family, of whom there are occasional references in these Records. They lived at a place sometimes called Hunt's Hall, and held considerable burgage property in the town. The name Hunt's Bank now alone commemorates them.

[5] See p. 66.

[Manchester.] [4th Oct., 1569.]

Cur cum Visu ffraunc pleg tent ibm die mercurie vz Quarto die mensis Octobris Anno regni dñe nre Elizabethe dei gra anglie ffrauncie et Hibernie regine fidei deffensor &c undecimo [1569] coram Johani Gregorie gener sub^lo Edwardo comit Derbie Se^lo ibm.

Inquico capt per Sacrament	Georgius Proudeloue	Jur.	Georgius Traves	Jur.
	Robartus Langley		Robartus Oldom	
	Thomas willotte		Ranulphus massie	
	ffraunciscus pendilton		Edwardus Hanson	
	Georgius Pendilton		Radus Birche	
	Robartus Marlerr		Jacobus Choreton	
	Antonius Sheparde		Rogerus Bexwicke	
	willimus Baguley		Johnes Davie	
	wiltmus Hardey		Robartus Sidall	

Boroe reve	Edwarde Hanson
Catche Polle	Richarde Galley
Cunstables	John Radcliff John Davye
Market lokers for Corne ...	Richarde Tippinge Rauffe Gee Edwarde Vngent [Nugent] Richarde moreton
market lokers for ffysshe and fflesshe...	Robart wharnbye Edwarde Dison
myse layers and suche lyke lays	George Traves Robart marlerr
myse Gatherers and suche like...	George wirrall Rolande Garlicke
Sealers of Lether	Hughe Batersbye Stephen costerdyne
market lokers for white meate in marketstede lane	Richarde Broke Rauff Gepson
market lokers for white meate in the mylnegate...	Henry Adamsone Henry beaumounde
markett lokers for whyte meate in the Denisgate...	Thomas hill Jur. Hughe bordman Jur. Glouer

market lokers for whit meat in huntes Bancke	Rauffe bordman Ju[r.]
market lokers for white meate in the withingreaue	George boulton Jur Steven browne Jur
Officers for holsom Breade ...	Rauff barlowe George barlowe
Ale founders	Henrye tonge Jur william darbye Jur
Birlamen for the market stede lane	willm hunt Jur Richarde gee Jur
Birlamen for the Denisgate ...	anthonye sheparde Jur James Rilstones Jur
Birlamen for withingreue & hanging dyche	Robart wolsoncrofte John baroe [Barrow]
Birlamen for milnegate	Randle massye Jur willm boulton Jur
Sceuingers for y^e^ marketstide lane	ffrances pendilton John Gee Jur
Sceuingers for Denisgate ...	willm baguley Jur George Trauis
Sceuingers from the boothes to the Smithie dore & to the bridge	Thomas aynsworth Jur nycholas bexwicke Jur
Birlamen for huntes bancke ...	John estwode John asmale
Sceuingers from fenell strete to the schole howse	Elys costerdyne Rodger bexwicke m^r^ batsonne
Sceuingers for the ma[r]ketstede	Hummfray haughton nycholas becke
Sceuingers for Saincte mary gate	John ashetone
Sceuingers for milnegate ...	John nabbes Jur James choerton [Chorlton] Jur
Officers for making clene of the market stede	Richard gray Ric reynsha [Renshaw]
Sceuingers for hanging dyche & meale gate	Thomas hoult Robart sidall
Swyne herde	Richard renshaw
Officers for frutes	george thorpe Rauffe dodge
Afferator Cur	anthony shept [Shephard] Rodger bexwicke Thomas willat Robart marler
Praysers	Rauff birche Thomas holte

The Jurie dothe p'sent Rodger bexwicke to be the lordes tenant for a certaine pece of lande in the withngreaue whereon [a] barne is bult of psell and payethe for the same viij^{d} by yere and is for the same to be burges and to doe all other seruis as other burgesses doe.

[Note in a different handwriting and interlined in the original:— This psentm^{t} is mistaken for he was but tenant for yeres w^{ch} his lease beinge expyred he suffred Symon malone to take a lease as will appere by the counterpart.]

The Jurie dothe order that ther shall not be eny rogg [rug][1] or cottene [cotton][2] wet openly in the stretes but that the same be donne other in his or their houses or backesydes vppon peyne for euery tyme so offending iij^{s} iiij^{d} officers for the same Thomas wyllat william baguley Robart sidall all the reste of the Jurie hauinge like auctorytie to presente.

The Jurie doothe order that wheareas dyuers of thinabitance of mamchester not regardinge dyuers godlye and holsome lawes that haue bene made concerning keping their swyne inconcyderac̃on whereof the sayed Jurie doothe nowe order that all thos whos swyne mey be founde abrode contrary to the afforesaid orders shall pey for euery tyme so offending ether by nyght or daye iij^{s} iiij^{d}

The Jurie doothe p'sent that whereas Ric̃ hunt and william Radclyffe haue not obserued anorder made conserning the sclensing of a gutter and making a pale at the boothes therefore to be amercied in v^{s} and further the said Jure dooth order that the said Ric̃ hunt and william Radclyff shall cause the said gutter to be sclenced and kepte cleane from tyme to tyme and also the palle made & that this be done affore thanunciac̃ion of our Ladie next [March 25] sub pena v^{s} viij^{d}.....*factum est.*

And affore all other orders affore made as well weddinges as ales we ratifie and alow and the peyne therefore to be dewe accordinge to the saied orders afore made.

The Jurie dothe order y^{t} all thos w^{ch} owe apparance at this courte and haue not appered this daye yf the said parties doe not come in affore Synct lukes daye [Oct. 18] next and showe a

[1] *Rugs* were coarse woollen cloths, for the manufacture of which Manchester was at this time celebrated. In an Act of Parliament 5th Edward VI., 1551, it was enacted that "all cloths called *Manchester Rugs* or Manchester friezes" shall be in length 36 yards, &c. They are also referred to in subsequent statutes.

[2] Cotton at this time meant a *woollen* cloth. Thus in 1539, in the Letters Patent of Henry VIII. granting the office of Aulnager to John Burne, there is special reference to "wollen Clothes called Cottons."

reasonable cause wherefore the[y] were absente vnto the farers [the affeerors] of this court w^ch^ the[y] will accepte to be amercied for this tyme the fre houlders in xij^d^ the burgeses in vj^d^ thinhabitantes ij^d^

Ad hanc Cur venit Jacobus Broke et cepit dño vnam percellā terr vasti Jacent et existent in mamcester in com̃ Lancastr apud le Redde bancke heade ibm continent in longitudiñ septuagint et Octo Pedes et in latitudine vigint et octo Pedes Reddend inde Dño Annuatim ad fest Sancti michaelis archangeli Sex denar legalis monet anglie et Dat dño de fine pro ingressū &c.[1]

Test JOH'M GLOVERR
Ctim ibm.

The Jurye dothe prẽnte Thomas Sidall sonne of Richarde Sidall late of withington in the countie of Lanc dec̃ to be at Laufull age[2] and to be Sworne vnto the Lorde and doe his fealtye accordinglie for certaine Landes in moston in the countie of Lancastre now or late in the holdinge of ffrancs Jacson. [In the margin:—Thomas Sidall Jurat dño et debt Solver dño Annuat p̄ terr in moston Imppm̃[3]]

Test JOH'EM GLOUERR
Ctim ibm.

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[1] To this Court came James Brook and took of the lord one parcel of waste land lying and being in Manchester, co. Lanc., at the Red Bank head there, containing in length 78 feet, and in breadth 28 feet, paying thence annually to the lord, at the feast of St. Michael the Archangel [Sept. 29] 6d. of lawful money of England, and he gives to the lord as a fine for entry into the same [6d.]

[2] See p. 47.

[3] Thomas Sidall is sworn to the lord, and owes to pay to the lord annually for land in Moston for ever.

[Manchester.] [30th March, 1570.]

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Cur cum Visu ffranc pleg tent apud mamcestr in com̃ lancastr in die Jovis vz xxx° die mensis marcij A° regni dñe nr̃e Elizabethe dei gr̃a anglie ffrancie et hibernie regine fidei defensor &c. Duodecimo [1570] coram Johni Gregory gener Subse^lo Edwardo Comit derbie Senescallo dñi Lawarr ibm.

Inquic̃o captum per Sacramentum	Thomas Birche Jur̃	Ranulphus Massye Jur̃
	Robartus langley Jur̃	Henricus Gee Jur̃
	Richus Platte Jur̃	Johnes Haughtone Jur̃
	Georgius Proudeloue Jur̃	Radulphus birche Jur̃
	Willmus Baguleye Jur̃	Jacobus Choreton Jur̃
	Willmus Hardeye Jur̃	Willmus Ravalde Jur̃
	Georgius Pendilton Jur̃	Edwardus Sidall Jur̃
	Jacobus Rilstone Jur̃	Thomas Harison Jur̃

The Jurie dothe p^rsente Rauffe proudeloue to haue bought tow tenements of Steuen Browne some tyme psell of galles [Galley's] lande and paythe for the same vnto the lorde xviij^d by yere therefore we bringe hym in burges and to doe suche seruys [service] as other tenntes [tenants] owe [ought] to doe.

The Jurie doothe presente Robarte cloughe to haue maried margaret pilkintone doughter and heire vnto thomas pylkinton and payethe vnto the lorde for suche landes as they holde of hym x^d by yere and is therefore to be entred burges and to doe suche seruys as other tenantes owe to doe.

The Jurie doothe order y^t all thos w^ch owe apparance at this courte and haue not appered this daye yf the said parties doe not come in afore maye daye next and showe a reasonable cause wherefore the[y] were absente vnto the ferers [the affeerors] of this courte w^ch they will accepte to be amercied for this tyme the free holders In xij^d the burgeses in vj^d the inhabitance in ij^d

The Jurie dothe order y^t yf eyther constable or constables or eny other appoynted officers by the Jurye refuce the office wherevnto he or the[y] shalbe so chosen that then they & euerye of them soe refusinge shall Incur the mercymente ... ... xx^s

Test JOH'EM GLOVERR.
Clim ibm

[Manchester.] [4th Oct., 1570.]

Cur cu[m] Visu ffranc pleg tent ibm die marcur vz Quarto die mensis Octobris Anno regni dñe nre Elizabethe dei gra anglie ffrauncie et hibernie regine fidei defensor &c. Duodecimo [1570] Coram Johni Gregorie gener subsenescallo Edwardo comit Derbie.

Inquico capt p} Sacrament vz {	willmus Radclyff gen Jur	Radus Proudeloue Jur
	Richus Hunte gen Jur	Jacobus Rilstonn Jur
	Richus Platt gener[1] Jur	Robartus Marlerr Jur[2]
	ffranciscus Pendilton Jur	willmus Hardey Jur
	Thomas willott Jur	Jacobus Choureton Jur
	Georgius Proudeloue Jur	Christopherus Grante Jur
	Georgius Pendilton Jur	Johnes Birche Jur
	Robartus Marlerr Jur	Robartus Oldom Jur
	Georgius Traves Jur	Antonius Sheparde Jur
	willmus Baguley Jur	Stephanus browne Jur

Borowe Reve	Rauffe Proudelove Jur
Catche polle	Stephan browne Jur
Cunstables	George Proudelove Jur Antony Sheparde Jur
market lokers for Corne... ...	Hughe bordman Jur Peterr barlowe Jur Thomas Aynswurth Jur John Garnett Jur
market lokers for ffysshe and flesshe	willm wharnbie Jur Alexander Potterr Jur
myse layers	George Pendilton Jur willm Baguley Jur
myse Gatherers	Edwarde hanson Jur Richarde Tippinge Jur

[1] This is the first time any of the persons sworn on the Jury have been distinguished from the others by being styled "gentlemen."

[2] This line crossed out.

Sealers of Letherr	Roger Bowkerr Jur̃ willm Strengfeloe Jur̃
market lokers for whitmeate in markethstede lane	Thomas bateson Jur̃ Thomas Strengfeloe Jur̃
ffor suche like in mylnegate ...	Richarde kylnerr Jur̃ Leonarde Potterr Jur̃
ffor suche like in Denisgate ...	Adam hill Jur̃ willm hilton Jur̃
ffor suche like in huntes banke...	Vane Garlicke Jur̃
for suche like in withingreve ...	Stephan browne Jur̃
Officers for Breade	John Cowopp Jur̃ Thomas Holte Jur̃
Ale ffounders	Hamnet Ramshae Jur̃ willm Lynsey Jur̃
Birlamen for markethstede lane...	Edward Chorlton Jur̃ Adam Pendilton Jur̃
Birlamen for Denisgate... ...	Jamys Rilston Jur̃ Edmund leys tailier Jur̃
Birlamen for withingreve and hangingdich	Rauff birche als orchard Robart Chetam Jur̃
Birlamen for mylnegate... ...	Jamys Chourton Jur̃ miles Gilforde Jur̃
Scevingers for markethstede lane.	ffrancys pendilton Jur̃ willm Hunte Jur̃
Scevingers for Denisgate ...	Thomas Smythe John postells
Scevingers frō the booth doore to the Smethie dore & salford Bridge...	willm Hardey Jur̃ John Birche Jur̃
Scevingers from ffenell Strete to the scole howse	Olyuer birche Jur̃ Robart Garnett Jur̃
Scevingers for marketstede lane & marketstede	John Radcliff Richard ffoxe
Scevingers for milnegate ...	Robart Langley Hughe Shaclocke
Scevingers for the hanginge dich and meale gate	Robert marlerr Jamys whitw'the
Afferatores Curie	George Traves xp̃ofer Graunt Robart Hardey willm Radcliff
Praysers	willmus Redde Richarde Galley
Swyne hearde	Thomas Rainshae [Renshaw]

for the makinge clene of the marketstede	Elizabethe Gray[1], Thomas Rainshae, margaret Rainshae[1]
Ovisers [officers] to avoide ffor-stallers of ffruit[2]	George Kenricke, Olyuer Bowrehowse

The Jury dothe order that whearas dyvers Sōmes of money ys and hathe bene disburced by the Cunstables and others for the cōmon wealthe of this towne as vnto vs and dyvers others of the towne is knowen In consideracon whereof a ley to be layde and made of all thenhabitance [the inhabitants] within the said towne by the assessement of the myseleyers and other ffoure whome thay shall chose and thay by thair discreacon to Assesse euery man accordinglie.

The Jurye doothe order that all suche orders as heretofore hathe bene made concerninge weddinges and alles [Ales] shall be and stande of force accordinge to the true intente and meaninge.

The Jurie doothe order that whereas they haue appoynted Elizabethe graye[1] margaret renshaye[1] to make cleane the market and R[e] [receive] soche profettes for the same [as] ys appoynted and also in like maner haue appoynted Thomas Ranshawe to be swynharde if the saieds Elizabeth Margaret and thomas Doe not ther Dewties y[t] is to saye to make cleane the market euerye tuusdaye and euery satturdaye at euenynge and also the saied thomas [to] conveye or cause to be conveyed all soche swyne as vnto hym shall be appointed vnto collyhurste and so kepe the same all suche dayes and vnto suche tyme as is appointed that then he or they that shall mayke defaute to be put forthe and others to be put in bye the appountment of the Cunstables Raufe prowdeloue wiłłm Baguleye John Radclyffe and Edmunde nvgente [Nugent].

The Jurie doothe order that whearas heretofore dyuers orders hathe bene made y[t] yf euery strese [distress] be takine beinge [between] burges or burgeses, for none paymente of rentes or otherwyes by them or others by accione in the courte [of] recouerye and therevpon goodes be strayned [distrained] y[t] yf the partie of whome suche goodes be strayned [distrained] com not in w[th] in xv dayes next after & paye soche somes as the[y] doe then owe it shalbe laufull for the presers [the appraisers] to sell thos goodes so straynde and to paye the partie vnto whome the Dett is Dewe.

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[1] The appointment of these two women is noteworthy, as previously men only have been appointed.

[2] These officers had to look after those dealers who wished to purchase fruit before it came into the market, so as to keep up its price, and also to stop those who wished to prevent the fruit from coming to the market at all, so as to make it appear scarce and dear. Both these offences were punishable at law.

The Jurie doothe presente ambros pycrofte to be departed syns the laste courte and that Richard pycroft his brother is his heire and of full agge and is redie to doe all suche seruis [service] as for him is Dewe.....*factum est.*

The Jurie doothe presente george hall to be departed syns the laste courte and that Jeffere hall his sonne is his heire and of Laufull agge and is redie to doe all soche seruys [service] as for hym is dewe.....*fact est.*

The Jurie doothe p[r]sente Edwarde hollande esquier[1] to be departed syns the laste courte and that Richarde hollande his sonne is his heire & of full agge and is Redie to doe all suche seruys as for hym is dewe.

The Jurye doothe presente my Ladie bruerton[2] to be departed syns the laste courte and that Richarde bruerton Sonne of Jefferey bruerton is her heire and vnder agge and holdethe of the lorde certayne landes in farneworthe but his Rente or seruis we know not.

The Jurie doothe order that thomas houlte, shall deliuer vnto george hollande and george proudeloue or ether of theme agrate of Ireon[3] the whiche grate the[y] cause to be set in the hanginge dyche in suche place as the saied Jurie hathe appoynted and this to be done affore the feaste of all sainctes sub pena v[s].....*factum est.*

Also all thos that haue eny landes frome the saied gate [grate] vnto the water of Irwell shall so vse the same that it be not hurte-full to the course of water and so kepe the same from tyme to tyme sub pena x[s]

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[1] Edward Holland, of Denton, Esq., was the son and heir of Sir Richard Holland, of Denton, Knt., by his wife Anne, daughter of John Fitton, of Gawsworth, co. Chester, Esq. He married for his first wife Jane, daughter of John Carrington, of Carrington, co. Chester, Esq., by whom he had Richard (his son and heir), Edward, and John, and five daughters. He married secondly Cicely, daughter of Sir Edmund Trafford, of Trafford, Knt., the widow of Sir Robert Langley, of Agecroft, Knt. His Inquisition *post mortem* recites that he died seised of the manors of Denton, Kenion, and Lawton, and lands there and in Wordeley, Heyton-super-Faghefeld, Bolton-le-Moors, Harwood, Sharples, Barton-on-Irwell, Manchester, and Pemberton.

[2] Sir Richard *Brereton*, of Tatton, co. Chester, Knt. (the second son of Sir Randle Brereton, of Malpas, co. Chester, Knt.), married Jane, daughter and heir of William Stanley, of Tatton, Esq. (descended from the Stanleys of the Holt), by Jane, daughter and heir of Sir Geoffrey Mascy, of Tatton, Knt. Lady Jane Brereton survived her husband, and is the lady named in the text. Her eldest son, Richard Brereton, Esq., died s p., and the second son Geoffrey Brereton, Esq., married Alice, daughter of Piers Leycester, of Tabley, co. Chester, Esq., and had a son and heir, Richard Brereton, Esq., named in the text. Sir Geoffrey Mascy, Knt., founded one of the Chantries in Eccles church, and Richard Brereton, Esq., was buried there in 1598, a handsome monument, still existing, being raised to his memory in 1600 by his widow.

[3] Probably an iron grid to carry the water from the Hanging Ditch to the Irwell.

The Jure doothe order John marler gen^{t}[1] shall so kepe a certayne place of grounde in the deanesgate w^{ch} commonly is vsed to leay donge on in suche sorte that hyt be not hurtefull vnto the neighboures ther ner vnto the passers by sub pena v^{s}.....*factum est.*

The Jurye doothe order alys meverell widoe to make or cause to be made a house commonlie called awale house[2] tenantablye accordinge to the tenor of her lease so that the neighbours nere adioyninge be not damnyfyed and that this be donne affore the nā^{ti} [Nativity] of [our] Lorde Jesus christe next [Dec. 25] sub pena xl^{s}

The Jure doothe order Robarte holme gēt [gent] to kepe his myddinge [midden] in the fenell strete in suche sorte that hit be not hurtefull vnto the neighbours there ner vnto the passers bye from tyme to tyme sub pena v^{s}.....*non fact est.*

The Jurie doothe presente thomas Rilstone to haue buildet ouer a certayne gutter betwixte hyme and willm Radclyffe one halffe beinge of the inheritance of the saied willm for the w^{ch} sofferance the saied thomas was contente to menteine the saied gutter frome tyme to tyme y^{t} hit shulde not hurt maister Radclyffe his house

Anorder taken for the repayer of the cundethe [conduit] by the cōcente [consent] of m^{r} Willm Radclyffe[3] y^{t} vij men shall be chosen of the w^{ch} he is contente to be on[e] an ouersear the other vj to gether the charytie of well disposed psons the w^{ch} the[y] shall bestowe for the mendinge and vpholdinge of the saied cundethe thes beinge the names of them that be chosen

George proudeloue	nycholas Becke
xp̄ifor graunte	Thomas aynesworthe
william baguleye	william Radclyffe gen^{t}[3]
James Rilstones	ouersear

[1] John Marler, gent., has already been noticed, see p. 125, note 2.

[2] This means, I think, a house leaning against a wall, but it is doubtful.

[3] William Radcliffe, gent., whose name so often occurs in these Records, lived in a house near the Conduit, subsequently known as Pool Fold or Radcliffe Hall, and he appears to have owned property near the Conduit. He was buried at Manchester, 20th March, 1599-1600 as "William Radcliffe of the Conduit, gent."

[Manchester.] [19th April, 1571.]

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Cur cu[m] Vis ffraunc pleg ibm die Jovis vz decimo nono die mensis Aprilis Anno regni dne nre Elizabeth dei gra anglie ffrauncie et hibernie regine fidei defensor &c Decimo tercio [1571].

Inquico capt p Sacrament	Richardus hunt Jur)	Radus Radley Jur)
	Robartus Langley Jur)	Robartus Oldom Jur)
	ffranciscus Pendilton Jur)	Jacobus Chourton Jur)
	Thomas willott Jur)	Edwardus Sidall Jur)
	Johnes haughton Jur)	Jacobus chetam Jur)
	Johnes Birche Jur)	Henricus Gee Jur)
	Christopherus grant Jur)	Robartus Clughe Jur)
	Robartus Hardey Jur)	Galfridus Hall Jur)
	Johnes Gee Jur)	Radus Chourton Jur)

Jurator dicunt sup Sacrm suu that Stephen becke[1] ys departed synce the laste courte and that George becke ys his sonne and heire and shalbe brought in Burges at the next courte daye yf no good matterr be shewed to the contrary at the said next courte. [These lines are crossed out, and at the side is written: *nyhell est.*]

Itm the Jury dothe prente [present] that thomas Shaclocke[2] ys deceased and that Robart Shaclocke ys his sonne and Eare [heir] and ys at laufull age and owe [ought] to doe Service to the lorde of this maner, In consideracon whereof we order that the said Robart Shaclocke shall come in at the next courte daye to doe his vis and ffealtie as he will answerr to the contrarie.

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[1] Stephen Becke's death is referred to at the next Court. (See p. 142.)

[2] I have a contemporary copy of the will of this Thomas Shacklock, of Moston, yeoman, made 21st December, 1570. He desires to be buried "in the parrishe churche of Manchester in such sorte as shalbe to the glorie of god and comforthe of my ffrendes." He mentions Robert Shacklock, his eldest son, and Thomas Shacklock, his younger son; and states that he has three daughters married—one to Richard Picroft, another to Randle Kemp, and another to Edward Bowker—and that he has one daughter, Alice, unmarried, to whom he bequeaths £19. He appoints Elizabeth his wife and Robert his son his executors. There are many references to the Shacklocks of Moston in Booker's *History of Blackley.*

Itm the Jurie dothe prẽnte that Edwarde Butterw'the [Butterworth] ys deceased Syns the last courte daye and whoe ys his heare [heir] we knowe not.

Itm the Jurie dothe prẽnte Oswolde moseley sonne and heare of Edwarde moseley[1] deceased for one teñte [tenement] in Moston in the countie of Lancastre wherefore we order that the said Oswolde shall prẽntelie [presently] come in and doe his ffeoltie accordinge to the custome of the maner, As at his pill [peril] he will answer to the contrarye.....*fact est. Jurat est duo.*

Ordinacoes fact per auctboritat Curie.

The Jurie dothe order that Richarde Hollande esquier[2] sonne and heare [heir] to Edwarde Hollande shall come in and do his dewtie and ffealtie vnto the lorde at the next courte heare holden Sub pena xx^{s}.....*misericordia.*

Itm we order that whearas there ys a medinge [midden] at the churche yarde side in the holdinge of Robart Gepson [Jepson] and George Hollande to the great anoyance of the neybours and passers bye, that the same shalbe taken away before the feaste of penticost next and frome thensfurth so to kepe the same that yt be not noysome to the neybours there or passers bie as ys aforesaid Sub pena to eyther of theme offendinge ... ...vj^{s} viij^{d} [crossed out] The Jury have geven a longer daye tyll the feayst off ester [Easter] next su[b] pena xiij^{s} iiij^{d} [This is interlined in another hand.]

Itm we order that whearas an order heretofore hathe bene made as towchinge a Dunge hill now or late in thoccupacion of [blank in original] Bowker widoe lyenge in the ffenell Strete we order that from hensfurthe the said wiffe shall not at any tyme hereafterr sufferr the Garbage or bloode of any Beaste to be layde vpon the medinge or dunge hill there vpon payne for every tyme so doinge pen̄ xij^{d}

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[1] Edward Moseley, of Hough End Hall, in Withington, near Manchester, gent., the son of James Moseley, married Margaret, daughter of Alexander Elcock, of the Hill-gate, in Stockport, gent. He died *c.* 1570, leaving three sons: Oswald Moseley, son and heir, who in 1595 purchased Garrett Hall, and died in 1622; Nicholas Moseley, afterwards knighted, Lord Mayor of London in 1599, and the purchaser of the manor of Manchester in 1596, who died 1612; and Anthony Moseley, who purchased the Ancoats Hall estate, and died in 1607. This is the first time the name of Moseley has occurred in these Records.

[2] See p. 135.

Itm we order that wheare Richarde marshall hathe made and Sett vpp a Pale and also a Dunge hill vpon the Lordes waste at thende of a barne by hym lately builded in the mylne gate, we order that the same shalbe removed and taken away aswell the Pale as the Dunge hill before the feaste of Sainct michaell tharch[1] [Sept. 29] next comynge Sub pena v^{s}.....*factum est.*

Itm we order that Thomas Romsdeyne do remove a pryvey in the hedge betwixt Jamys Chourton and the said Thomas So that yt be not noysom to the said James before the ffeaste of Pentycost next Sub pena ij^{s}.....*factum est.*

Test JOH'EM GLOVERR[1]
clim ibm manu mea propria

[1] This is the last time the handwriting and signature of John Glover occurs in these Records. He seems to have died in this or the following year, his will dated 27th September, 1571, being proved at Chester 26th September, 1572. (See *postea.*)

Mam[chester.] [3rd Oct, 1571.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu ffranc Pleg tenta ibm Die mercurii [Veneris crossed out] vz tercio Die mensis Octobris Anno regni Dñe nře Elizabethe dei gra Anglie ffranc et Hibnie Regine fidei defensoris &c decimo tercio [1571] Corã Johne Gregorie genēr Subscenescallo ibm.

Inquico captū p Sacrament	Richus Hunt Jurꝰ	Radulphus Massie Jurꝰ
	Robertus Hulme Jurꝰ	Rodolphus Chourton Jurꝰ
	Thomas Willott Jurꝰ	Johanes Davie Jurꝰ
	ffranciscus Pendilton Jurꝰ	Jacobus Rilstones Jurꝰ
	Georgius Pendilton Jurꝰ	Willmus Hardie Jurꝰ
	Robertus Marler Jurꝰ	Robertus Ouldame Jurꝰ
	Georgius Birche Jurꝰ	Robertus Sydall Jurꝰ
	Johanes Birche Jurꝰ	Edwardus Allen Jurꝰ

Borowe Reeve	William baguleye
Catche Poll	William Reade
Cunstables	Richarde Gee Jurꝰ Robart Buckley Jurꝰ
Marketsteed lokers ffor Corne ...	Hughe Thorpe Raffe Byrche alias Orchard Nicholas Beswike Robert Wilshawe Jurat
Marketsteed Lokers for fyshe and ffleshe	James Wolstencrofte Jurꝰ Thomas Hylton Jurꝰ
Myse Layers	George Byrche Jurꝰ James Rilstones
Myse gatherers	Thomas Anysworthe Jurꝰ Edmund Nugent Jurꝰ
Sealers of Lether	Andrewe Renshall Jurꝰ Thomas Strenghfellowe Jurꝰ
Market Lokers for whit meates in the marketsteed Lane ...	Adame Pendilton Jurꝰ Willm Strenghfellowe
Market Lokers for whit meates in the mylne gate	Myles Gilforde Jurꝰ Robert Radcliffe Jurꝰ

Market Lokers for whitt meates in the Denesgate	John Grenhaughe alias Yorckshire Robert farington Jurat
Market Lokers for whitt meates in hunts banck	Raffe Bordman Jur)
Market Lokers for whitt meats in the wythin greave	Robert Holland Jur) James Grenhaughe Jur)
offycers for holsome Breade ...	Raffe Barlowe Jur) George Barlowe Jur)
Scavingers for hanginge Dyche and meale gate	George Wirrall Jur) Thomas Hoult Jur)
officers for frute	Raffe Dodge Jur) Thomas Parson Jur)
Ale founders	John Bancks jur Thomas Cholerton
Birlamen for the ma[r]ket steed Lane	Robert wharnby Jur) Robert Hardman
Birlamen for the Densgate ...	John Davye Jur) Edwarde Sorocould Jur)
Birlamen for the w'hen greve and hanginge Dyche	James whitworth Ju[r.] George Barlowe [Jur)]
Birlamen for the mylnegate ...	Raff Radley Ju[r)] Randall massy Ju[r)]
Scavingers for the marketsteed Lane	Raff Jepson Jur) Thomas bateson Jur)
Scavingers from the boothes to the smythy Dore to the brydge	William hardy Jur) John Birche Jur)
Birlamen for hunts Bancke ...	Van[e] Garlec Jur)
Scavingers from fenellstrete to the schole howse	Robert Langley Jur) Roger Bexwike Jur)
Scavingers for the marketsteed...	Humfray Haughtō J[ur)] nycholas Becke Ju[r)]
Scavingers for Sainct marye gate	Richard Renshaw Jur)
Scavingers for the mylngate ...	Raff Chourton Jur) Roger Saule
officers for makinge cleane the marketsted	Elizabeth grey Thomas renshall margaret Renshall
Swyne herde	Thomas Renshaw Ju[r.]
Afferatores Curie	ffrancys pendilton Richard hunt g Jur) George prowdlove Robert Marler Jur)

The Jurie Dothe present that Steven Beche[1] ys Depted and that Elizabethe Beche hys wyffe is tenante for tearme of Her Lyffe of hys Landes, And wiłłim Beche sonne of the sayde Steven and Elizabethe to be his heyre Apparant and to be vnder age.

The Jurie Dothe present that James Chetame[2] ys Deceased synnce the last Courte And that Henrye Chetame is hys sonne and heyre and ys at lawfull age and owe to Doe hys service and Dutie accustomed.

The Jurie Dothe Order that Where there ys dyvers Complaynts made for the noysom kepinge of Dunghills w^th^in this towne as one Dunghill w^ch^ Roger Bexwyke kepethe at the howse of Cloughe wyves [*sic* for Clough's wife], And also an other that Arthure Kyrshawe kepethe at his howse syde in the mylngate, Wee order the sayd Roger and Arthure w^th^ all others that keepe there Dunghills Noysom to the passers bye And also hurtfull to there neighboures and an hinderance to any course of Water or chanell That they and everie of them amend the same and so kepe the same from tyme to tyme that hyt be not noysom nor no hinderance and the same to be donne before the feast of all Sauncts [Nov. 1] next ensuinge Sub pena v^s^ .....*factum est.*

The Jurie Dothe order that Whereas Robert Hulme gentilmā[3] Dothe keepe his Dunghill very noysom and hurtfull to the neighbours there about Wee order that the same Robert shall so kepe yt w^th^ pale that it be not noysome to the Street and also for the howses ther adioyninge And the same to be donn before the ffeast of the purificacon of the blessed Virgin Sainct mary [Feb. 2] next and so to kepe the same from tyme to tyme sub pena xx^s^.....*non factum est.*

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[1] Or *Becke*, the name of an old Manchester family. At the previous Court *George* Becke is said to be the son and heir, see p. 137. At this Court the son and heir is named William.

[2] This James Chetham was the son of Edward Chetham, descended from the family of Chetham, of Nuthurst. Henry Chetham, named in the text, his son and heir, was the father of Humphrey Chetham, "The Founder," as he is generally called, who left the Chetham Hospital and Library to the town of Manchester. The Inquisition *post mortem* of James Chetham states that he died seised of messuages, lands, &c., in Kersall, Manchester, and Ashton-under-Lyne.

[3] Robert Hulme, gent., was the son and heir of Stephen Hulme, the representative of a family long seated in Manchester. He married Anne, daughter and co-heir of Robert Holt, of Ashworth, gent., and had issue. He died in 1584.

Mancestr [10th April, 1572.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu ffraunc Pleg ibm tent Die Jovis vz Decimo Die mensis Aprilis Anno Regni dñe nre Elizabethe dei gra Anglie ffranc et hibnie Regine fidei defensoris &c. Decimo quarto [1572].

Jurator.

Inquco capt p Sacrm	Willmus Radcliffe Jur	Johanes Houghton drap Jur
	Richus Hunt Jur	Johanes Birche Jur
	Thomas Willott Jur	Georgius Travys Jur
	Robertus Langleye Jur	Georgius Birche Jur
	Adamus Pilkinton Jur	Robertus Hardie Jur
	ffranciscus Pendilton Jur	Robertus Ouldam Jur
	Georgius pendilton Jur	Rodolphus Chourton Jur
	Robertus Marler Jur	Richus Platt Jur
	Richus ffox Jur	Rogerus Bexwike Jur
	Robertus Clughe Jur	Robertus Sidall Jur
		Edwardus Hanson Jur

The Jurie dothe present Thomas Willot gentyllman[1] to haue purchased of Robert Shawe gentyllmā[2] certayn Closses or Landes, nowe in the houldinge of Alexander Massye, and Hughe Ouldam

[1] Thomas Willott, gent., was the son of Thomas Willott, of Fenny Stratford, co. Bucks, who appears to have settled in Manchester in or before 1561. Thomas Willott, the younger, as he is often called, married Ellen, fifth and youngest daughter of Sir Edmund Trafford, of Trafford, Knt., the marriage settlement being dated 10th April, 1567, but by her he had no issue. He died at Manchester, 2nd May, 1577 (see *postea*), and his widow married for her second husband, Thomas Cogan, Master of Arts and Bachelor of Physic, the High Master of the Manchester Grammar School.

[2] I have the original deed poll in Latin relating to the purchase of the lands referred to in the text. It is dated 24th March, 14 Elizabeth [1571-2], and by it Robert Shawe, of Counton, co. Lanc., gent., acknowledges to have sold to Thomas Willott, of Manchester, gent., two closes of land in Manchester, late in the occupation of Alexander Massye, gent., containing about 5½ acres, lying between certain lands late in the tenure of Nicholas Cowoppe, deceased, and now in the occupation of George Prowdeloffe on the east part, and lands in the tenure of Robert Holme, gent., and John Byrche on the west part, and lands late of Richard Radcliffe on the north part, and the lands of John Marler, gent., on the south part; and all that messuage in Manchester in the tenure of Hugh Oldam, and a cottage with a garden, &c., in the tenure of Edmund Holden, which messuage and cottage lie between the lands in the tenure of the said John Marler on the east part, and the lands of Margery Curtenall, widow, deceased, on the west part,

and Robert Houldeyne w^th^ said Landes the said Robert Shawe purchased of the Right Honorable my Lorde Lawarr[1] and the afforesaid Thomas Willot owe [ought] to paye for the same Landes xxj^s^ by yeare.

The Jurie Dothe order that Whereas Nicholas Becke[2] came to the Jurie and brought certayne Evidencs of Lands geven to hym by his mother, and sued to the Jurie to be brought in burges for the same Landes, Wee order that Thomas Becke beinge vnder age, shall come into the Courte houlden at after Easter next ensuinge and bringe w^th^ hym his Evidencs, or what he can sewe [show] to the contraye, yf he can before the said feast of Easter convenyentlie come by them or els the said Nicholas Becke shalbe brought burges for the same.

[Interlined in different ink:—as we vnderstond Anne becke[3] is teñnt for terme of hir Liffe so y^t^ [that] in the meanetyme noe other is to be admytted by vs.]

The Jurie dothe order that Wheras an order heretofore hathe benn made that no swyne shalbe suffered to goe abrode in the Streets sub pena for everie tyme iij^s^ iiij^d^ Wee order that the same shall continewe and Doo apoynt for the oversight hereof in everie street as folowethe in the marketsteedlane Robert Clughe, for the marketsteed and Cundethe [conduit] Willim Radcliffe gentillman and Raffe prowdlove for the mealegate, Edward Hanson for the Deanesgate Willyan Baguley, for the mylne gate Robert Langleye George Prowdlove, for the Hanginge Diche and smythy Dore John Barrowe Thomas Hardman And these appoynted to see that the said swyne be brought to Collyhurste or els to be kept in there Cotes that they be not abrode in the streetes.

The Jurie dothe order that whereas there ys a Dunghill layde to the hedge of John Dikensonne Dwellinge in Denesgate that the same be taken awaye beffore the feaste of penticost nexte ensuinge and that no maner of parsonns Laye no more there after the same daye sub pena for every tyme ij^s^

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and the said lands in the tenure of Alexander Massye and Robert Holme, gentlemen, on the north part, and a lane *(venellam)* called Newton lane, on the south part. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD to the said Thomas Willott, his heirs and assigns for ever. George Prowdelove and William Jackson are appointed attorneys to deliver seisin. (Signed) Robt. Shawe, in the presence of George Prowdluffe, henry gee, Willim Jacson, Willim Jacson. It is endorsed:—Enrolled before Alexander Rygby, Esq., one of the Justices of the Peace for the Lady the Queen in the County of Lancaster, and before Barnard Randolph, Clerk of the Peace in the said county, the 28th March, 14 Elizabeth [1572.]

[1] Probably the lands purchased in 1554. (See p. 10.)

[2] Nicholas Beck was a younger brother of Robert Beck, of Manchester, draper, mentioned on p. 32, and the Thomas Beck named in the text was the young son and heir of Robert Beck.

[3] Anne Beck, the mother of Robert and Nicholas Beck, was then living, and is sometimes spoken of as Mistress Beck, see p. 34.

The Jurie Dothe Lykewise order that Richard ffoxe shall so vse his Donghill that the water maye have his course and that the same be Donne beffore the ffeast of penticoste nexte ensuinge sub pena ij^{s}

The Jurie dothe order that whereas the stretes about the Cundethe [conduit] be evell and vncleane kept and noysom to the passers by, Wee order that everie one that occupiethe the howses and Shopps aboute the said Cundethe shall keep the said Stretes cleane and sweet from tyme to tyme sub pena every tyme so offendinge vj^{d}

And Lykewyse in all other streetes in the Towne that they be kept cleane accordinge to oulde Custome and no bodye to swepe downe the Chanell but everie body beare there Donnge awaye vppō lyke payne.

The Jurie dothe order that whereas there ys a by Lande Betwixt the Laundes of Thomas Strangwaies gentillmā[1] nowe in the occupac̃on of the wyffe of John Glover and the landes of George Pendilton Lyinge in the Deansgate The Jurie Dothe order that neyther the said Thomas Strangwaies nor George Pendilton nor no other for them, nor any that occupiethe the said Landes to ploughe w^{t}hin one foote of neyther syde of the stakes nowe sett by the Jurie sub pena for everie tyme so Doinge x^{s}

The Jurie dothe present that whereas by an order made Heretofore that m^{r} Richard Holland Esquyre[2] sonne and heyre to m^{r} Edwarde Holland departed should have come in to the Courte here and Donne his Dewtie sub pena xx^{s} misericordia, Nowe the Jurie dothe order the saide Richard Holland esquyre to come in and Doo his Dewtie at the nexte court sub pena xx^{s}.....*non est factum.*

The Jurie dothe present that Henrie Chetame ys sonne and Heyre of James Chetame,[3] and shall come at the nexte Lete Court or betwixt this and then to Doe his Dewtie vppō payne of x^{s} .....c̃oparuit et admissus est Tenens.[4]

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[1] See p. 93. [2] See p. 135. [3] See p. 142.
[4] He appeared and was admitted tenant.

LETTER FROM THE EARL OF DERBY,

DATED 19TH JULY, 1572.

[The following letter from the Earl of Derby, dated 19th July, 1572, may fittingly come in here. It is stitched, together with the letter printed on p. 115, to the two leaves which, as described on pp. 64 and 90, contain the proceedings of the Court held 3rd Oct., 1565, but which have become loose and misplaced in the original book. Like the previous letter, it is addressed to the Affeerors of the Court, appointed 3rd Oct., 1571 (see p. 141), and relates to the extravagance which then prevailed at the marriage feasts, an abuse the Court Leet was very anxious to put a stop to.]

Welbeloued where youe be chosyn and appoynted ffearers of the Lordes Corte at manchester and therevpon sworne to procede in the taxing of the fynes and mercymentes theare presentede fforasmoche as I vnderstand the cessyng [assessing] of the same hathe bene Delayed A long tyme by youe to the preiudice of the Lord w^ch^ I vnderstand youe do bycause you wold degresse from the order of the Corte taken tutching prics of dynners at marrags w^ch^ the inhabytances as I vnderstand were grete swters [suitors] vnto me to haue establysshed for the common welthe of the Towne wherfore Thiese are to wille and comande youe that all excuses set on p̄te [on part, or apart] youe iij or ij of you at the Leyste in thabsence of the reste shall vpon the recept hereof procede w^th^ effect unto the cessing of the saides fynes and m̄cymentes and not to ffayle in any wyse. So fare youe welle from Lathom the xix^th^ of Julie 1572.

Yo^r^ Loving ffrend
EDWARD DERBY.[1]

[Addressed on the flyleaf]

To my welbyloued Richard hunte
ffrancis pendilton Robart marler, and
george Prowdeloue give thiese.

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[1] The letter is written by a clerk, and is only signed by the Earl, his characteristic signature being rather shaky, as he was at this time 62 years of age. (See p. 154.)

Manchestr [1st Oct., 1572.]

Cur cu[m] Visu ffranc Plegii tent ibm Die mercurii [Veneris crossed out] vz primo Die mensis Octobris Anno Regni Dñe nre Elizabethe Dei gra Anglie ffraunc et Hibnie Regine fidei Defensoris &c. Decimo quarto [1572].

Jurator.

Inquico capt p Sacrm	Georgius Prowdlove Jur	Willmus Hardye Jur
	Richardus Hunte Jur	Rodolphus Chourton Jur
	Willmus Radcliffe Jur	Johanes Davye Jur
	Georgius Pendilton Jur	Jacobus Chourton Jur
	ffranciscus Pendilton Jur	Edwardus Hanson Jur
	adamus pilkington Jur	Robertus Sydall Jur
	Johanes Houghton Drap Jur	Willmus Ravalde Jur
	Johanes Birche Jur	Robertus Clughe Jur
	Jacobus Ridelstones Jur	Rodolphus Birche Jur
	Rodolphus Prowdlove Jur	Robertus Ouldam Jur

Borowe Reve	John Byrche
Catche Powll	Willm Reade
Constables	Edmund Nugen[t] Robert Hardye
Market lokers for Corne ...	George Travys John Davie Thomas Bateson of market-steedlane James whitworthe
Market lokers ffor ffysshe and flesshe	Robert wharmbye William wharmby
Myse Layers	ffrancys Pendilton George Prowdlove
Myse gathere[r]s	John houghton drap [draper] John Lyes
Sealers of Lether	Robert Radcliffe William Lyndley
Market lokers ffor whitt meate in the market steed Lane	Richarde Brouke Edwarde Chorlton

Market lokers for whit meat in the myln gate...	Willyam Prowdlove Ambrose Bybbye
Market lokers ffor whit meate in the Deanesgate	Hughe Bordman sheremā Robert Asshton
Market lokers ffor whitt meate in the hunts Bancke	Van[e] Garlecke
Market lokers for whitt meate in the wythin greave	Myles Bradshawe George Boulton
Offycers ffor holsom Breade ...	Thomas Houlte John Cowpe
Ale ffounders	Ellize Rothewell william Awyn
Byrlamen ffor the market steed lane	William Radcliffe gent Robert Clughe
Birlamen for the Deanesgate ...	William Baguley mortuus est[1] John Gee Jhames baguley[1]
Birlamen ffor the wythin greave	Myles Wylson Hughe Thorpe
Birlamen ffor the myln gate ...	George Prowdlove Andrewe Renshawe
Birlamā ffor the hunth Bancke [*sic* for Hunt's Bank]	Raffe Bordman
Scavingers ffor the marketsteed lane	William Hunt Adame pendilton
Scavingers for the Deanesgate ...	Anthony Sheparde Charles Leighe
Scavingers ffrom the boothes to the Smythy Dore and so to the Brydge	Christopher Graunte William Hardye
Scavingers from fenel street to the schole howse	George Barlowe Raphe Radleye
Scavingers for the market Steed	Raffe Prowdlove Henry Gee
Scavinger for the Sainct mary gate	Richarde Adlynton
Scevingers for the myln gate ...	Hughe Shaclocke Raffe Cholerton
Offycers for makinge Clene the market steed	Elizabeth Grey Thomas Renshawe Margaret Renshawe

[1] These words added in a different ink. James Baguley took the place of William Baguley, his father, deceased. (See p. 152.)

Scevingers for hanginge Dyche and meale gate	Edwarde Hanson Robert Grenhoughe
Swynherde	Thomas Renshawe
Offycers for frutes	George Kenryke Olyver mosse alias Bourhowse [Bowerhouse]
Affeyrers of the Courte	william Radcliffe George Pendilton George Travys William Hardye
Praysers	William Reade Richard Galley

The Jurye dothe present Thomas Chaterton[1] to be depted Synce the laste Courte, and that George Chaterton ys his Sonne and heyre, And of Lawfull age and that he shall come in at the nexte Courte that the Lorde maye be Answered accordinge to right sub pena x^{s}

The Jury dothe present Adame Hylton of the parcke Esquyre[2] to be departed synce the laste Courte and that Willyam Hilton is his Sonne and heyre and of Lawfull age And that he shall come in at the nexte court that the lorde may be Answered accordinge to his right sub pena x^{s}

The Jurie dothe lykewyse present that Roger Radley ys Departed synce the laste Courte and that Robert Rodley *(sic)* ys his heyre, and at Lawfull Age to do his Se[r]vice... Cōparuit et admissus est tenēs.[3]

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[1] Thomas Chaderton, of the Lees, near Oldham, gent., married Joan, daughter of John Tetlow, of Chamber, in Werneth, and had issue by her George Chaderton, his son and heir, mentioned in the text; Laurence Chaderton, Master of Emmanuel College, in Cambridge; and five daughters. His Inquisition *post mortem* states that he died seised of messuages and lands in Leighez infra Oldham, Crompton, and Manchester. His will, dated 11th August, 1572, was proved at Chester, 12th May, 1573. He desired to be buried in the parish church of Oldham, bequeaths various legacies to his children, and leaves to Jane his wife "all my purchased lands in Manchester," and at her death they are to go to his heir. (*Lanc. & Ches. Wills*, Chetham Society, ij., 130.)

[2] Adam *Hulton*, of the Park, co. Lanc., Esq., was the son and heir of William Hulton, of that place, Esq. He married Clemence, daughter of William Norreys, of Speke, Esq., the marriage covenants being dated 29th January, 21 Henry VIII. [1529-30], and by her he had William (his son and heir), Richard, and Margaret. On 10th December, 1561, he had a grant of a crest from Laurence Dalton, Norroy King of Arms. (See *Lancashire Visitation* 1533, Chetham Society, p. 212.) In his Inquisition *post mortem*, taken at Lancaster, 10th March, 1572-3, it is stated that he had died seised of the manor of Over Hulton, and of 50 messuages, 10 cottages, 1,000 acres of land, 200 acres of meadow, 40 acres of pasture, 60 acres of wood, 200 acres of marsh in Over Hulton, Haughton, Manchester, and Denton; and also of certain lands in Harpurhey, Denton, Openshaw, and Chorlton. He died 20th September, 1572, and William Hulton, his son and heir, was then 32 years of age.

[3] He appeared and was admitted tenant.

The Jury dothe present Edwarde Butterwo[r]the of Belffyeld Esquyre[1] to be depted synce the laste Courte and that Alexander Butterworthe is his sonne and heyre and vnder Age.

The Jury dothe present that Anthony Bowker hathe purchased of Richarde Nycholson a Certayne Tenement In Moston And shall come in at the nexte Courte houlden at Manchest[r] and do his dutye sub pena x[s]

He apperid affore my Lorde Laware[2] and dyd his seruys [written as a footnote and in paler ink].

The Jurie dothe present that Humffrey Houghton hathe purchased of Robert Hardie a Howse in the marketsteedlane, Wee order the sayde Humffraye to come In eyther this Courte or at the next sub pena x[s].....Comparuit et admissus est Tenens.[3]

The Jury dothe present that Roberte Benbridge[4] is departed synce the laste Courte and that Willyam Benbrige ys his Sonne and heyre and ys at Lawfull Age And shall Come in to the Courte houlden here at after Easter nexte and doe his service sub pena x[s]

The Lands came by his mother so she is teñnt [tenant] duryng hyr Lyffe [interlined in paler ink].

The Jurie Dothe presente that Edmunde Slade[5] ys depted And that Raphe Slade is his Sonne and heyre and shall come in at the nexte Courte houlden here and doe his Service.....Comparuit et admissus est Tenens.

The Jurye Dothe present John Marler gentylman[6] to have purchased of Roberte Shawe gentillman[7] Certayne Lands and shall come in at the next Courte houlden here and doe his service sub pena x[s]

The Jury Dothe present Roberte Hulme gentillmā[8] not to have kepte Certayne howses and Barnes w[th] a mud wall w[ch] he houldethe in the marketsteed Lane not tenentable w[ch] howse and Barne he houldethe of the Lorde Delewarr.

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[1] Edward Butterworth, of Belfield, Esq., the son and heir of Geoffrey Butterworth, of Belfield, married Jane, daughter of Richard Holt (a younger son of the Holts of Stubley), and had issue Alexander Butterworth, son and heir, who married Grace, daughter of William Ashton, of Clegg, gent., and heir to her mother, Anne, the daughter and co-heir of Ralph Belfield, of Clegg, gent. He died seised of messuages and lands in Hundersfield, Butterworth, Castleton, Oldham, and Manchester, and of the capital messuage called Belfield Hall.

[2] This would seem to imply that Lord La Warre had been in Manchester about this time, and that this tenant had taken his oath of fealty to him personally.

[3] He appeared and was admitted tenant.

[4] Robert *Bainbridge* had married Isabel, daughter and heiress of William Milnegate, of Manchester. (See p. 23.) His son and heir, William Bainbridge, named in the text, is described in 1577 as of Lockington, co. Leicester, gent.

[5] Edmund Slade was the last of the family of Slade of Milkwallslade (subsequently abbreviated into Slade) Hall, in the township of Rusholme, who lived at that place. Ralph Slade, his son and heir, is described in 1577 as of Breerehurst, co. Stafford, gent., and in 1584 he sold his ancestral estate to Edward Siddall. (See Booker's *History of Birch Chapel*, p. 128.)

[6] See p. 125, note 2. [7] See p. 10. [8] See p. 142.

Manchestr [26th March, 1573.]

Curia cu[m] Visu ffranc pleg tent ibm die Jovis vz vicesimo Sexto die mensis Marcij Anno Regni Dñe nre Elizabethe Dei gra Anglie fraunc et Hibernie regine fidei Deffensor &c. Decimo quinto [1573] Coram Ranulpho hurlestone Scenescall[1] ibm.

Inquico Capt p Sacramēt } Thomas Willot Jur
Richus Hunte Jur
franciscus pendilton Jur
Georgius Prowdlove Jur
Georgius Birche Jur
Georgius Pendilton Jur
Rodolphus Prowdlove Jur
Georgius Travys Jur
Johes Gee Jur
Willmus Hardie Jur
Henricus Gee Jur
Rogerus Bexwike Jur
humfridꝯ houghtō Jur
Jacobus choureton Jur
Robertus Ouldam Jur
Edwardꝯ Hanson Jur
Robertus Cloughe Jur
Rodolphus birche als orchard Jur

The Jurie dothe order all those that kepe Alehowse or that hereaft[r] shall keepe Alehowse in manchester shall not suffer any vnlafull gamynge in their howses, gardeyns or backesides, sub pena xx[s][2] Neyther suffer any drincke or victuall to be soulde at any tyme of morninge prayer, prechinge or other devyne service, vnless hit be vnto passingers vpon payne to eury howshoulder so offendinge for to paye x[s] And to euery other pson that shall eyther game or otherwise offende for eury tyme so offendinge to pay vj[s] viij[d] The penaltie for drinck and victuall to extend to sondayes and hollydaies.

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[1] Randle Hurlestone had succeeded Edward Earl of Derby as Steward of the Court, and this is the first Court held before him. Of him I have been unfortunately unable to learn anything beyond the fact that he was living in 1581, and is then mentioned as claiming to have a lease of the Easter book, oblations, mortuaries, and small tithes, &c., of the parish of Manchester. (Hibbert-Ware *Foundations of Manchester*, vol. I., p. 107.) In the following year he accused Dr. William Chaderton, then Bishop of Chester, of having appropriated the sum of £3,000 received in fines from the Lancashire recusants imprisoned at Manchester. This the Bishop affirmed was "a most slanderous and shameful lie," and that Randle Hurlestone was "a malicious varlet." (*Ibid*, p. 115.)

[2] See p. 50.

Also the saide Jurie dothe order that no man shall vse any Bowlinge or other vnlawfull gamynge ether in howse w^th^in the Towne or in the ffyeldes abrode contrary to the statute ffor the same provided sub pena for every tyme so offending to paye vj^s^ viij^d^

The Jurie Dothe present William Baguley[1] to be depted Synce the Laste Lete Courte, And James Baguley his Sonne to be at Lawfull Age and ought to be entred Burges and to do suche service as vnto suche tenū dothe aperteyne et redit p Annū ij^s^

Ad hanc Cur venit pd̄ Jacobū Baguley corā Ranulpho Hurlestone Scenescall ibm et admissus est tenens et fecit fidelitatē.[2]

Item the Jury Dothe present John Radcliffe to haue purchased certayne Lands of James Shalcrosse and Richarde Shallcrosse[3] somtyme Wynington Lands ffor the w^ch^ he is to be entred Burges and to do his service accordinglie vt seq.

Ad hanc Cur venit pd̄ Johes Radcliffe corā Ranulpho Hurlestone Scenescall ibm et admissus est tenēs et fecit fidelitatem.

Item the saide Jurie dothe psent Alice Baguley[4] to haue by gyfte of her ffather Willyam Baguley a certayne Burgage in the Deanesgate to her and to her heyres some tyme Tetlowes Lande And that she is of the Age of tenne yeares or there abowts.

Itm the Jurie Dothe present John Davie to be Depted synce the last Courte and Anne Davie his Dought^r^ to be his heyre and of the Age of xvj^t^ yeares and payethe to the lorde p Annū vj^d^

Ad hanc Cur venit pd̄ Anna Davie corā Ranulpho Hurlestone ibm et admissus est tenens et fecit fidelitatem.

Item the Jurie Dothe present Richarde Gee to haue purchased a certayne plat of grownde in the mylnegate of Rauffe Hopwood and payethe to the Lorde by yeare vj^d^

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[1] William Baguley, of Manchester, clothier, made his will 30th December, 1572, proved at Chester 10th January, 1572-3. He desired to be buried in the parish church of Manchester in or near unto St. George's Chapel. He names Ellen, then his wife, James, his son, and Alice, his daughter. Alice was to have "the house I have lately builded, with the garden thereto belonging, in the Deansgate, to her and her heirs," with remainder to James Baguley. The inventory of his goods, "packs of cottons," apparel, &c., amounted to £422 17s. 6d. Among the items is "a Bible and a Chronicle," valued at 10s.

[2] To this Court came the said James Baguley before Randle Hurlestone, Steward there, and was admitted tenant and did his fealty. James Baguley was appointed a Birlaman for the Deansgate in place of his father. (See p. 148.)

[3] James and Richard Shalcross were the sons of Richard Shallcross of Manchester, by his second wife Anne Trafford. (See p. 44 and p. 125.)

[4] See note 1.

Ad hanc Cur venit pd Richardus Gee corā Ranulph[o] Hurlestone Scenescall ibm et admissus est tenens et fecit fidelitatē.

Item the Jurie Dothe present John Pendilton to be depted synce the Last Courte And Edmunde Pendilton to be his Sonne and heyre and of Lawfull Age.

Item the Jurie dothe Order Thomas Marecrofte Raphe ptington [Partington] And peter Seddon shall make and so maynteyne frō tyme to tyme the howse that Robert Henshawe Late dwelled in so that the neighbours adioyninge be not damnified and this to be donne w^th^in xx^ti^ daies nexte sub pena x^s^.....*fact. est.*

The moste parte of the Jurie dothe thincke xxx^ti^ Alehowses and Inns to be sufficient in Manchester.

The Jurie dothe psent Robert Hulme that whereas he was appoȳted to haue made a pale alonge his mydinge [midden] in the fenell streete so that the said mydinge should not be noysom vnto the inhabytance or passers by vpon payne as by the same order it dothe appere w^ch^ payne was xx^s^ Wee ffynde the same not to be donne, ffurther wee order the saide Roberte to make or cause to be made a sufficient pale or wall so that the saide mydinge be not noysom And that this be donne afore the ffeast of Bartholemewe the Apostill [Aug. 24] next upon payne of xxvj^s^ viij^d^.....*mysericordia.*

The Jury Dothe psent the wiffe of James Webster that she hathe not observed An order made cōcerninge a certayne pryvye in a gutter therefore she is amerseid in iij^s^ iiij^d^.....*mysericordia.*

Also wee Order the saide Websters wiffe that she kepe the pryvie in the saide Gutter in suche order as afforetyme is appoynted that hyt be not noysom sub pena vj^s^ viij^d^.....*factum est.*

The Jurie dothe order Robert Hulme to cause his tenāts [tenants] to make cleane a gutter and so kepe the same betwixt the howse that the wiffe of John Bowker dwellethe in And the howse that Raphe And^r^ton [Anderton] dwellethe in and that this be donne before Maye daie next sub pena iij^s^ iii^d^.....*misericordia xx^d^*

The Jure dothe order Johne Asshton to take awaie or cause to be taken awaie A certayne Dunghill in his gardeyne from the hedge of Richarde Adlintone And that no more be Layde there to his hurte And also kepe his swyne cote in suche repacone that it be not hurtfull vnto the said Richarde Adlinton and that this be donne afforc sainct Ellen daie [May 21] next sub pena v^s^.....*factum est.*

Item the saide Jurie Dothe Request accordinge to the right hono'able Lorde Delawarr o' singuler good Lorde his promyse That wee maye haue weights accordinge as wee haue nede That is to saye halffe a hundrethe weighte conteyninge lx [60] pounds, on[e] quartern conteyninge xxx^{ti} [30] pound, on[e] other weight of xv [15] pound and on[e] other of vij [7] pounde and a halffe And that these maye have my Lords marke vpon them to Remayne to thuse of vs his tenants in Manchester And also that wee maie haue a Beame to the same that hit maye be knowne to be the Lords beame and weights that all other maye be tryed by the same.

The Jurie Dothe psent Edwarde therle of Derbie[1] to be Depted [departed or dead] synce the Laste Courte and that Henrie nowe

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[1] As Edward, the celebrated Earl of Derby, had been Steward of this Court for many years, probably from the commencement of this volume, 1552, if not earlier, and certainly from 1556, a short notice of him may here be given. He was the son and heir of Thomas, the second Earl of Derby, by Ann, daughter of Edward Lord Hastings, his wife, and on the death of his father in 1521 he was 11 years of age. He took an active part in most of the proceedings both civil, military, and ecclesiastical of the reigns of Henry VIII., Edward VI., Mary, and Elizabeth. He was elected a Knight of the Garter on 17th February, 1546-7, and was a member of the Privy Councils of both Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth. His *Household Expenses* in Lancashire for the year 1561, and his *Household Regulations* for the year 1568, have been printed by the Chetham Society (vol. 31), and to them is affixed a fine portrait of the Earl from the original at Worden Hall. On his death Camden said that "with him the glory of hospitality hath in a manner fallen asleep." He was honoured with a magnificent funeral at Ormskirk 4th December, 1572, the details of which have frequently been printed. His will, dated 28th August, 1572, and proved in London 21st November, 1572, contains instructions as to the chapel and tomb he desired should be built to his memory in Ormskirk church. His funeral certificate, printed in *Lancashire Funeral Certificates* (Chetham Society), p. 4, to which an interesting memoir (abridged above) by Canon Raines is appended, shows his numerous titles and recounts his several marriages and issue as follows:—

> "The Right Hon^{ble} Edward Erle of Derbye, Viscompt Kynton, Lord Stanley, Lord Strange of Knockyn, Lord Mohun, Lord Bassett, Lord Burnell, Lord Lacy, Lord and Kyng of Man and the Iles, one of y^{e} Lords of Her Maiesties most hon^{ble} pryvie counsell and knyght companyon of y^{e} Garter, dyed att his howse in Lancastreshyre, callyd Lathom house, on the xxiiijth daye of October, and was buryed at Ormeskirke on the ivth daye of Desember 1572, with greate pompe and state.
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> "He marryed firste Dorothie, dowter to Thomas Howard Duke of Northfolk, and by her had yssue his sone and successour, the Ryght Hon^{ble} Henrie nowe Erle of Derbye, Syr Thomas Stanley his second sone, and Syr Edward Stanley his third sone, and also four dowters, 1 Anne, 2 Elisabeth, 3 Marie, and 4 Jane. He marryed to his second wyfe Margret, dowter of Ellis Barlowe of Barlowe, in the sayd Countie, Esquier, by whom he had issew two dowters viz. 1 Margarett and 2 Kathrein. He marryed to his third wyfe Marie, dowter to S^{r} George Cotton of Combermere, in y^{e} County of Chester, knyght, who survives him, but hath no issewe."

The town of Manchester no doubt felt itself highly honoured to have such a distinguished man to preside over its Court Leet. There is every reason for thinking that the Earl was present in person at most of the Courts in which his name appears.

therle of Derbie ys his Sonne and heyre and of full Age and payethe to the Lorde for his Lands in manchester by yeare ... v^{li} vij^{s} viij^{d} [£5. 7s. 8d.]

The Jurie dothe presente John Skilliescorne plum̄er [plumber] to be a cōmon Easinge dropper,[1] A naughtie p̄son, suche a on[e] as dothe Abounde in all mysorders, Therefore wee desire that he maye be avoyded the Towne And haue suche punisshmēt as vnto suche dothe apperteyne.

The Jurie dothe p̄sent Richarde Hollande esquire, George Chederton, Willmus [Adam crossed out] hylton and John Marler to haue forfeted vnto the Lorde suche somes of money as by recorde dothe appere,[2] Also wee order, the saide Richarde hollande George Chaderton Adame [*sic*] hulton and John marler That they come in at the nexte Lete Courte to paye suche money And doe Suche Service as vnto the lorde ys due sub pena to every on[e]... ... xx^{s} .....*non est fact nisi Johem Marler qui venit in propria p'sona*[3]

The Jurie dothe order that where as there ys greate misorder in weringe of vnlawfull weapons as daggers And suche Lyke[4] And also in weringe hatts vpon Sondaies and hollydaies, That no mā [man] of what age estate or degre soever he be shall not frō hence fourthe weare any vnlawfull weapon nor any hatts vpō Sondaies and holliedaies vpō suche paynes and forfetures as by the Lawes for the Same ys provided.[5]

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[1] Eavesdropper. This use of the Lancashire word "easing" for eaves is curious. (See p. 80.)

[2] Fines for non-appearance at the Court as new Tenants.

[3] Not done except John Marler, who came in his proper person.

[4] By an Act of Parliament passed 12 Richard II., 1388, no servant in husbandry, or labourer, nor the servant of any artificer or victualler, was allowed to bear any buckler, dagger, or sword, upon pain of the same being forfeited, and the officers of any town, such as the constables, &c., could arrest all offenders and seize their weapons.

[5] This clearly refers to an Act of Parliament passed in 1570, by which every person above the age of seven years was required to wear, on Sundays and all holidays, "a cap of wool, knit, thicked and dressed in England, made within this realm, and only dressed and finished by some of the trade of cappers." The penalty was 3s. 4d. for each day. Maids, ladies, gentlewomen, nobles, and persons who had an income of twenty marks (about £30) from land, and those that had borne any office of worship in any city, borough, town, hamlet, or shire were permitted to wear hats. This Act was repealed in 1579.

Mancestr [30th Sept., 1573.]

Cur cu[m] Visu franc pl[eg] tent ibm die Mercurij vz tricesimo die mens Septembris A° Regni dñe nre Elizabeth dei gra Anglie franc et hibnie Regine fidei Defensor &c. Decimo quinto [1573] Cora Ranulpho Hurlestone Scenescall ibm.

Inquico capt p Sacrm

Willmus Radcliffe Jur
ffranciscus pendleton Jur
Robertus Langley Jur
Georgius Prowdlove Jur
Georgius Birche Jur
Adamus Pylkington Jur
Thomas Willott Jur
Georgius Travys Jur
Johes Haughtō drap Jur
Humffridus Haughtō Jur
Georgius Pendleton Jur
Johanes Gee Jur
Johanes Radcliffe Jur
Jacobus Rilston Jur
Richardus ffox Jur
Henricus Gee Jur
Willmus Hardy Jur

Borrowe Reave	Johes Radcliffe Jur
Catchpole	Willm Reade Junior Jur
Constables	Willmus Radcliffe Jur Georgius Prowdlove Jur
Marketlokers for Corne	Antonius Shepard Jur Thomas Anysworthe Jur Thomas Smythe Jur Georgius wirrall Jur
Marketlokers for fysshe and flesshe	Jacobus Wolstencrofte Jur Alexander Potter Jur
Myse Layers	Robertus Langley Jur Georgius Travys Jur
Myse gatherers	Richardus Tippinge Jur Edwardus hanson Jur
Sealers of lether	Bartilmeus fletcher Jur Robertus Chetam Jū willmus Strengfellowe Jur Johes Symson Jū
marketlokers for whitmet in market stedlane	Robertus hardman Jū Adamus Pendleton Jū

marketlokers for whit meate in mylngate	Robertus Bexwike Henricus Tonge Jū
marketlokers for whit meate in Deansgate	hugo bordmā glover Jū Johes Grenhalgh at yor[k]shire Jū
marketlokers for whitmeat in hunts banck	Rodolpus bordmā Jū
marketlokers for whitmeat in the whythin greave	Jacobus Grenhaug Jū Stephanus browne Jū
officers for holsom breade ...	Richardus Mourton Carolus Leighe
Alefounders	Robtus wilshawe Jur̄ Jacobus Smythe Capp Ju[r̄]
birlamen for the Marketstedlane	willmus hunte willmus Strengfellow
Birlamen for the deansgate ...	Jacobus Rilstone Johes postles Jur̄
Birlamen for the wythyn greave & hanginge diche	Rowland Garlike Rodolphus Anderton Jur̄
Birlamen for mylngate	Robertus Langleye Jur̄ Rogerus Bexwike Jur̄
Birlamā for hunts bancke ...	Vanus Garleck Jur̄
Scevingers for marketsted Lane...	Thomas Batson Jur̄ Richardus Webster Jur̄
Scevyngers for deanesgat	Johes Gee Jur̄ Richardus harrison Jur̄
Scevingers for mylgate	Thomas Willott Jū Milo Gilffort Jū
Scevingers from the boothes to the Smythy dore	Georgius Pendleton willmus Hardy
Scevingers frō the fenelstrete to the scholhowse	Elizeus Costerdeyn Jū Oliverus Birche Jur̄
Scevingers for market sted ...	Nicholanus Becke Jū Edwardus Cuncliffe Jū
Sceving[r] for S[t] marigate ...	Richardus Adlinton Jū
Scevingers for hangynge[diche] and the mealgate	Robertus Marler Jur̄ Jacobus whitwurthe Jur̄
officers for makinge cleane the marketstede	Richus Paynter Thomas Renshawe Margaret Renshaw
Praysers	Georgius Romsdeyn Jū Willmus Read Jur̄
Swynhearde	Thomas Renshawe

officers for frewts	Richardus Thorpe Jū Robertus Pylkington Jur.
Afferours of y^e^ Courte	Georgius Birche Thomas Willott Jacobus Rylstone humfridus haughton
officers for seinge ales and weddings executed[1]	Johes haughton willmus hardie Johes Gee Edmundꝯ Nugent Andreas Renshawe
Beadle for the Roges [Rogues][2]...	Adamus Johnson Jur

The Jury dothe ffynde that Willm Benebrige[3] ys tenante to the Lorde Dalawarr of certayne Burgags w^th^ other Lands in Manchester purchased of his mother.

Also the Jury dothe ffynde George Byrche of the holte to be tenante to the Lorde Dalawarr in the Right of hys wyffe.

Also wee ffynde that Richarde Hunte[4] ys Depted synce the Laste leete Courte, And that Richarde Hunte his Sonne ys his heyre and of Lawffull yeares, And ys to Doe his suyte and service therefore Dewe. Note that George Byrche on[e] of the Jury dothe not grante to any thinge herein that maye be preiudiciall vnto hym selffe.

Whereas there hathe ben Dyvers orders made by the Jury heretofore concernynge Alehowse kepinge and good orders to be vsed in the same, And Dyvers penaltyes for the offenders appoynted wee therefore of the Jury do lykwise ordeyne that the same orders shall contynewe vpon suche lyke penalties as by the same orders are appoynted And so to contynewe from tyme to tyme.

Also the Jury do order that neyther Butcher nor any other pson whatsoeuer shall not from hence ffurthe cary or caste any Garbage

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[1] This is the first time these officers have been appointed at the Court Leet with the other officers of the town. They had to see that the various orders regulating the expenses at "ales" and wedding dinners were strictly carried out. (See p. 84 and p. 94.)

[2] This officer occurs here for the first time. He probably acted under the instructions of the two constables, and had to apprehend all vagrants and rogues who came into the town.

[3] See p. 150, note 4.

[4] Richard Hunt, of Manchester, gent., was the son or more probably the grandson, of Richard Hunt, of Manchester, whose will dated 26th March, 1523, was proved at London, 25th December, 1523. (See also p. 126.)

or belly of any kynde of beaste vpon any Dunghill or other place w'hin the Towne noysom to any ꝑson sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d} on[e] halfe to the Lorde and the other to the poore of the Towne to be devyded.

Whereas good and Lawdable orders hathe lykewise heretofore ben wth good advice and Deliberac̃on of the Jury made as cōcerninge all the inhabitance of this Towne but specially servants and app̃ntyzes [apprentices] as well women servants as men ffor that none of them shoulde be abroade in the nyghte neyther in the Wynter nor in the somer after a certayne howre as by the saide orders are appoynted whiche said howres in Somer tyme ys ix of the clocke And in the Wynter viij of the clocke Wee thereffore accordingly Do order that all and every suche ꝑsons as shalbe ffounde abroade after the howres appoynted not havinge Lawfull Busynes shall haue suche punysshment as the Stewarde and Constables shall by their Dyscretions appoynt And Lykewise to assesse Suche ffynes and amercyments as they in Lyke maner by their Wisdomes shall thinck moost ffytt and convenyent.

Also the Jurie Do order that all suche ordinancs as heretofore have ben made as tutchinge Weddings and Ales shalbe of fforce accordinge to the same orders, And further wee order that no man̄ of ꝑson or ꝑsons w'hin the libtie [liberty] of the leet shall Laye at any Weddinge Dynner w'hin the Towne of Manchest^{r} or in any place w'hin the ꝑysshe [parish] of manchest^{r} more then iiij^{d} vpon payne of Suche puercyments [pervercyments or amercements] as in the Same are provided And wee do appoynte officeres to see the Same executed Willum Hardie John Gee Edmund Nugen[t] Andrewe Renshawe John Haughton.

Also the Jury doe order that whereas Richarde Marshall hathe caused the water that comethe ffurthe of his ffyelds to be turned out of his right course by reason whereof the highe waie cōmonly called the red bancke ys Sore ympayred whiche if it shoulde continewe woulde be vtterly marde, In cōsideracon whereof wee order that the saide Richarde shall see the water to be turned in to his Right Course and so to contynewe And that the same be Donne before the ffeaste of all Sayncts [Nov. 1] next sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d} whereof the on[e] halffe to the Lorde and the other to the poore of the Towne.....*non est factum.*

The Jury dothe order that Richarde Shalcrosse shall cause the pryvie adioyninge to his Seller to be kepte in suche order that it be not grevous to the passers by, And that this be Donne beffore St. Lukes Day [Oct. 18] nexte sub pena vj^{s} viij^{d} to be equally Devided as ys afforesaide.....*factum est.*

The Jury Dothe ꝑsent that all forren ffreeholders[1] that owe their sute at this Leete Courte and haue not appeared to be amerced every on[e] in xij^{d} And the Constables whiche have made lyke ffaulte to be amercyed every on[e] of them in Lyke maner in xij^{d}

The Jurie dothe ꝑsent John Marler to haue comme in at this Courte to doe his suyte and Service accordinge to on[e] certayne order for hym appoynted and ys to be sworne Burgys.

Ad hanc Cur venit ꝑd̄ Johes Marler corā Ranulpho Hurlestone Senescall ibm et iurat est dño et admissus est tenēs ꝑ terr̄ in m̄ [M for Manchester][2]

Ad hanc Cur venit Willmus Beanbrigg Corā ꝑd̄ Ranulpho Hurlestone Senescall ibm et fecit fidelitat et iurat est dño ꝑ terr̄ quos emit a matre in m̄ [Manchester] et admissus est tenens.[3]

Ad hanc Cur venit Georgius Birche de holte corā pred̄ Ranulpho Hurlestone Senescall ibm et iurat est Dño ꝑ terr quos tenet iure vxor et admissus est tenens.[4]

Ad hanc Curiam venit Richardus Hunte filius Richardi Hunt nup̄ Defunct Corā Ranulpho Hurlestone Scenescall ibm et admissus est tenens et fecit dño fidelitat Et dedit dño pugiōē.[5]

The Jurie do ꝑsent that Robert Langley hathe purchased on[e] ffielde called Clemence Crofte[6] of John Gregorie gent et reddit inde dño ꝑ Ann̄ ij^{s}

The Jury do order that whereas the Connduyt of Manchest^{r} on[e] speciall ornament of the Towne dothe Dyvers tymes Lacke water The w^{ch} by the good ffurtherance of well dysposed ꝑsons maye be broughte to suche ꝑfeccon [perfection] that at all tymes hereafter

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[1] Foreign freeholders would be those persons not resident in the town, who yet owned lands in the town.

[2] To this Court came the said John Marler before Randle Hurlestone, Steward there, and was sworn to the lord, and admitted tenant for lands in Manchester.

[3] To this Court came William Bainbridge before the said Randle Hurlestone, Steward there, and made his fealty, and was sworn to the lord for the lands, which he bought from his mother in Manchester, and was admitted tenant.

[4] To this Court came George Birch, of the Holt, before the said Randle Hurlestone, Steward there, and was sworn to the lord for the lands, which he holds in right of his wife, and was admitted tenant.

[5] To this Court came Richard Hunt, son of Richard Hunt lately deceased, before Randle Hurlstone, Steward there, and was admitted tenant and did his fealty to the lord and gave to the lord a dagger [as a heriot].

[6] This field is mentioned in the rental of Lord La Warre taken in 1473, when Christopher Bridd, chaplain, held it in socage. It was sold in 1638 to John Hartley. Its site is now unknown.

there maye be sufficient water to serve the Towne w^th^all In cō-sideracon whereof these ꝑsons whose names followe are appoynted by the said Jurie to gather and collecte the charitie of well Disposed ꝑsons for the amendinge of the Same The whiche must be by bringinge of other springs to the Same not w^th^out great coasts and chargs Willm Radcliffe ffrancys Pendleton George Pendleton Humffrey Haughton Nicholas Becke.

The Jury do order that no Baker nor other ꝑson bakinge to sell w^th^in this Towne shall put any butter in their Cakes[1] vpon payne of iij^s^ iiij^d^ for every suche offendo^r^ the halffe of w^ch^ Amercements to be Distributed to the poore of this Towne And wee appoynt officers for the Same John Morres John Garnett Ellys Rothwell.

The Jurie dothe order that whereas there ys a Gutter betwixte Willm Radcliffe and the howse that Raphe Shelmdeyne dwellethe into w^ch^ gutter not only some ꝑte [part] of the wall belonginge vnto Shelmdeyn but also the wall belonginge to m^r^ Radcliffe are sleden Downe that eyther of them shall mende their owne walls so y^t^ neyther of the ꝑties be hurte therebie and this to be donne before the feast of all sayncts [Nov. 1] sub pena iij^s^ iiij^d^.....*factum est.*

Also the saide Jury dothe order that no butcher or vituler shall leave any borde abroad w^ch^ they vse comonly to set behinde them, but that the same be placed eyther vpon or vnder there fflesshe borde vpon payne to forfett the bords so beinge lefte abroade to the lorde.

Also m^r^ Stewarde dothe order that every landelorde and Tenant in the mylngate shall pave or cause to be paved before there Dores vnto the mydest of the strete, And the same to be Donne before this and the ffeaste of Easter next comynge vpon payne of Tenne shillings to every suche Landlord and Tenante, The same to be Devided betwixt the lord and y^e^ poore.

Also m^r^ Stewarde dothe order that what ꝑson soever shalbe founde dronken[2] in any Alehowse w^th^in this Towne or els sene abroade in the Strets shall therefore be punysshed all nyght in the Dongeon,[3] And moreover pay ꝑsently when they be released vj^d^ to the Constables to be geaven to the poore And if the saide ꝑson be so poore that he cannot paye the same Then the good man or good wiffe of the howse where he contynued Drynkinge shall paie the saide fyne.

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[1] See p. 69.

[2] This and the next are the first two orders against drunkenness in the town.

[3] The Dungeon in use at this time was what had once been a small chapel on the bridge, over the Irwell, joining Salford to Manchester, generally called Salford Bridge.

Also it ys ordeyned if the Alehowse keper eyther man or woman be sene drōken in their owne howses or els where Then he or shee so ffounde shalbe punysshed by ymprisonment on[e] nyght And from thence furthe to be Dyscharged from Alehowse kepinge.

It ys ordered that no servant or childe shall from henceffurthe Resort to any Weddinge howses or Ales w^thout they be sent by their fathers or m^rs [masters] accordinge to orders before made vpon penalty, the fathers xij^d And the m^rs [masters] xij^d to be Deducted out of his servants wags And the same to be geaven to the poore.

These be the names of the notorious hores that are forbidden the Towne.

Sys Sand^rson
Margaret holland
Anne Bulley
Eme Leighe
Margaret Warren otherways called stag of Dentō [Denton]
Margaret wofelt
Jenet Ouldam
Katheryn Tempest

The names of howses suspected of disorder.

Thomas Travys of Ancoats
Olyver Bowrehowse
Phillipp Gosnell
Richard Grenhalghe
Raphe Done
Launcelot Chorlton
Mother Phillipp

[Manchester.] [15th April, 1574.]

Curia cu[m] Visu ffranc pl[eg] tent ibm Die Jovis viz decimo quinto die mensis Aprił Anno Regni dne nre Elizabethe dei gra Anglie franc et hibnie Regine fidei Deffensor &c sexto decimo [1574] Cora Ranulpho Hurlestone Scenescall ibm.

Inquico capt p Sacr

Thome Willot Jur	Richardi Awyn Jur
Roberti Langley Jur	Roberti Sydall Jur
Richi Hunte Jur	Willmi hardy Jur
Georgii pendleto Jur	Henrici Gee Jur
Georgii Travys Jur	Roberti Hardy Jur
Johis Byrche Jur	Richardi Shalcrosse Jur
Jacobi Rylstons Jur	Roberti Cloughe Jur
Jacobi baguley Jur	Thome Harrison Jur

The Jury dothe present that John Pendleton[1] ys Depted and that Edmunde Pendleton hys sonne and heire ys at Lawffull age and dothe come in at this Courte to do hys sute and Servyce.

Ad hance Cur venit pred Edmundus Pendleton coram Ranulpho Hurlestone Scenescall ibm et Juramet fecit dño et admissus est tenens et pugione dedit p heriot[2]

Whereas good and lawdable orders have heretofore bene taken by the Jurors for reformacon of Dyvers things as in the Courte booke may and dothe appeare, oure Desyre ys the same maye be throughly put in execucon accordinge as they are set downe in the sayde booke, And that the amersiaments may be dewly Levied accordinge to the Deffaultes made so that the sayd defalts be present[ed] by sworne men.

The Jury dothe present Gyles Bradshawe to come in at thys Courte and to do his Sutes and servics in the right of hys wiffe.

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[1] His death was mentioned at the Court held 26th March, 1573. (See p. 153.)

[2] To this Court came the said Edmund Pendleton before Randle Hurlstone, Steward there, and took his oath [of fealty] to the lord, and was admitted tenant and gave [to the lord] a dagger as a heriot.

Ad hanc Cur̃ venit pred̃ Egidius Bradshawe corā pred̃ Ranulpho Hurlestone Scenescall ibm et iuramēt fecit Dño et admissus est tenens in iure vxor.

The Jurie dothe present of them selves that George Marshall the xv^th. daie of this Aprill made affray vpon Richard Aspinall and gave hym towe bloodwypes[1] on the heade.

The Jury do present that John Chetame of Nuthurste gent[2] ys Departed synce the Laste Courte And that Henry Chetame ys his sonne and heyre And oughte to come in and doe hys Servys.

Also the Jury do present that Richard Marshall hathe not Mended a Water Cowrse accordinge to an order therefore taken at the Red bancke head, Whereffore wee order that the sayd Richarde shall cause yt to be mended betwixt this and the ffeaste day of St James thappostle next [July 25] accordinge to the Same order sub pena vj^s viij^d

[3] Henricus Pendleton de Manchester Et Cicilia Pendleton vidua de ead̃ executor vltimi testament ffrancisci Pendleton[4] nup̄ Defunct q̃ v^rsus Thomam Willot de Manc̃ pd̃ gen̄osū in plito Debt xvij^s Quos eis Debit et iniuste detinet &c. p̄ vt.[5]

Michael Nicolson de com̃ Lyncoln yoman Et Richus Chadwike de Ratchdale yoman q̃ v^rsus Ranulphū Massie de manc̃ in plito Debt ij^s iiij^d Quos eis Debt &c p̄ vt.[6]

wee ffynd the dett and xij^d charges [in a different handwriting.]

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[1] The common legal expression at this time for blows drawing blood.

[2] John Chetham, of Nuthurst, in the township of Moston, gent., was the son and heir of Thomas Chetham of that place, gent., by his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Hopwood, of Hopwood, gent., and widow of Alexander Lever, gent. He was buried at the Collegiate Church, Manchester, 7th December, 1573, his widow, Isabel, being buried there on 5th January, 1596-7. His will, dated 4th August, 1557, and proved at Chester in 1573, has been printed by the Chetham Society, *Lanc. & Ches. Wills*, vol. iij., new series, p. 57. His Inquisition *post mortem* states that he died seised of messuages and lands in Nuthurst, Butterworth, Middleton, Castleton, Crompton, and Manchester.

[3] This and the next entry, recording some proceedings in the Lesser Court Leet or three weeks Court, are in a different ink to the previous entries, and refer to actions brought in that Court before the next Court Leet, 30th September, 1574.

[4] See p. 167.

[5] Henry Pendleton, of Manchester, and Cicely Pendleton, of the same place, widow, the executors of the last will of Francis Pendleton, late deceased, sue Thomas Willot, of Manchester, aforesaid, gentleman, in a plea of debt for 17 shillings, which he owes them and unjustly retains, &c.

[6] Michael Nicholson, of co. Lincoln, yeoman, and Richard Chadwick, of Rochdale, yeoman, sue Randle Massie, of Manchester, in a plea of debt for 2s. 4d. which he owes them, &c.

Manc[hester] [30th Sept., 1574.]

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Curia cu[m] Visu ffranc pleg tent ibm Die Jovis viz xxx^mo^ Die Septebris Anno Regni Dñe nre Elizabethe dei gra Anglie franc et hibnie Regine fidei Defensor &c. sexto Decimo [1574] cora Ranulpho hurlestone senescall ibm.

Inquico capt p Sacram	Humffridi haughtō Jur̄	Willmi hardy Jur̄
	Richardi Plat Jur̄	Roberti hardy Jur̄
	Richardi hunte Jur̄	Jacobi Baguley Jur̄
	Thome Willot Jur̄	Richardi Shalcrosse Jur̄
	Rodolphi Prowdlove Jur̄	Roberti Cloughe Jur̄
	Johis Birche Jur̄	Roberti Radley Jur̄
	Jacobi Rilstones Jur̄	Willmi Ravalde Jur̄
	Robti Ouldame Jur̄	Jacobi Lancashire Jur̄

Burrowe Reave	humffrey haughtō Jur̄
Catche poule	william Read senior Jur̄
Constables	George Travys Jur̄ Robert Marler Jur̄
Marketlokers ffor Corne ...	John Gee Jur̄ Raphe Shelnldeyn Jur̄ Thomas harrison Jur̄ Thomas bateson Jur̄ de mylgate
Market lokers ffor fysshe & flesshe	Robert Wharmby Jur̄ Thomas hilton Jur̄
Myse Layers	Thomas willot Jur̄ George Prowdlov Jur̄
Myse gatherers	Peter barlowe Jur̄ Raphe Radley Jur̄
Selers of Lether...	Andrewe Renshaw Jur̄ Richarde Broucke Jur̄ Thomas Ayneswurth Jur̄ hughe batersbie Jur̄

Marketlokers for whit meat in y^e marketsted lane	Thomas Bateson Jur. Edward Cholerton Jur.
Market lokers for whit meate in the mylgate	Leonarde potter Jur. Ambrose bybby Jur.
Marketloker[s] for Whit meate in Deansgate	William hilton Jur. hughe bordman sheremā Jur.
Marketlokers for whit meate in hunts bancke	Ranulphe Lee Jur.
Marketlokers for whit meate in wythin greave...	Robert holland Jur. Robert Ouldam Jur.
Officers for holsome breade ...	Robert Duredeyn Jur. Willyam Awyn Jur.
Aleffounders	John Shawe Jur. Edward sorrocolde Jur.
Birlamen ffor the marketstedlane	Thomas Bateson Jur. Raphe Jepson
Birlamen for the Deanesgate ...	James baguley Jur. John Morres theld^r Jur.
Birlamen for the wythingreave and hanginge Diche	hughe Thorpe Robert Grenhaug[h] Jur.
Birlamē for the mylgate	hughe Shaclocke Ju[r.] hughe marler Ju[r.]
Birloman for the hunts banck ...	Raphe Bordmā J[ur.]
Scevyngers for y^e hanginge dyche and meale gate	George Wirrall Jr. Thomas holte Jur.
Scevingers for y^e Marketstedlane	Richard Gee Thomas brow[n]sworthe Jur.
Scevingers ffo y^e Deansgate ...	James Rilstones Jur. John Postles Jur.
Scevingers for y^e myllgate ...	Edmūd Nugent Jur. Raphe Chouretō Jur.
Scevingers frō y^e boothes to y^e smyth[y] Dore	Willyam hardy Jur. John Byllynge Jur.
Scevingers from y^e fenell stret to y^e schole howse	Adam hall Jur. George Barlowe Jur.
Scevingers for y^e marketstede ...	Raphe Prowdlove Jur. henry Gee Jur.
Scevinger for S^t mary gate ...	George Choureton Jur.
officers for makinge clene y^e marketsted	Richard Paynt^r Jur. Thomas Renshawe Jur. Margaret Renshaw Ju.
Officers for ffruts	George Kenrycke Jur. Otywell Thorpe Jur.

Officers for seeinge ales and weddings executed	Robert hardie Jur̄ Richard Tippinge Jur̄ Edward hanson Jur̄ John Byrche Jur̄
Praysers	Richard Galley Jur̄ George Romsdeyn Jur̄
Afferours of the Courte... ...	George Pendleton Jur̄ Robert hardy Jur̄ John haughton Jur̄ John Byrche Jur̄
Beadle ffor the Roges [Rogues][1]	Richard Paynter Jur̄

The Jury dothe present that henry Chetame sonne and heire of John Chetam of Nuthurste[2] hathe not come in to the Courte and donne his Dutie synce the deathe of his father, Wee order therefore that the saide henry Chetame doe come and doe his dutie at the next Courte sub pena vj^{s} viij^{d} [In the margin :—Respectuat^{r} usq; ad p̄xim̄ Cur tenēd post festūm Sc̄i michis Arch p̄x seq apud manc tenēd].[3]

The Jury dothe present that ffrancys Pendleton[4] ys Dep̄ted synce the laste Courte, And that henry Pendleton ys his sonne and heyre and of lawffull yeares to Doe his suyte and service.

Ad hance Cur venit p̄d henricus Pendleton corā Ranulpho hurlestone senescall ibm et Jurat est Dño et admissus est tenens et dedit Dño pugionē secund cōsuetudinē que pugio appciat fuit ad xij^{d} p̄ appciator.[5]

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[1] See p. 158. [2] See p. 164.

[3] Let it be respited till the next Court held after the feast of St. Michael the Archangel next following at Manchester.

[4] Francis Pendleton, of Manchester, gent., was the third son of Thomas Pendleton, of Manchester, who died in 1534, and to whom he was executor. He married Cicely, daughter of Thomas Beck, of Manchester, Esq., by his wife Isabel, daughter and heir of Richard Bexwick, of Manchester, merchant, the founder of the Jesus Chapel in the Collegiate Church in 1506. On 1st September, 1562, Thomas Beck's widow conveyed this chapel to her son-in-law, Francis Pendleton (*Lanc. Chantries*, p. 50). In his will, dated 24th March, 1573-4, he desired to be buried in the Jesus Chapel, and was there interred 28th May, 1574, the Manchester Parish Register describing him as "Francis Pendleton merchante." In his will he calls himself "merchantman." He left issue a son and heir, Henry, and three daughters, Margaret, Isabel, and Ellen.

[5] To this Court came the said Henry Pendleton before Randle Hurlstone, Steward there, and was sworn to the lord and admitted tenant, and he gave to the lord a dagger according to custom. which dagger was valued at 12d. by the appraisor.

The Jury dothe ꝑsent Randle hylton of Synderland[1] to be dep̄ted synce the last Courte and y^t^ John hylton ys his sonne and heyre and at lawffull yeares to Do his suyte and servyce due.

Ad hance Cur venit pred̄ Johes hilton coram Ranulpho hurlestone Senescall ibm et Jur est Dño et admissus est Tenens et soluit Dño xij^d^ ꝑ pugione patris.[2]

The Jury dothe presente Thomas Becke sonne and heyre of Robert Becke[3] dep̄ted to be of Lawffull yeares and ys to do his suyt and Servyce Due.

Ad hanc cur̄ venit pred̄ Thomas Becke corā Ranulpho hurlestone senescall ibm et Jur est Dño et admissus est tenens.

The Jury dothe ꝑsente Thomas Goodyeare to be Burg̃s in the Right of Ellyn his wyffe, and his to Do his servys and payethe to y^e^ Lord viij^d^ by yeare.

Ad hanc Cur̄ venit pd̄ Thomas Goodyeare corā pd̄ Ranulpho hurlestone senescall ibm et admissus est tenens et Jur est dño Jure vxoris.

The Jury dothe presente that John Bradshawe of Bradshawe gen̄[4] ys dep̄ted synce the laste Courte, And that John Bradshawe ys his sonne and heyre and of Lawffull yeares to Doe his Servyce.

The Jury dothe order that Richarde Galley or whosoeuer for hym dothe occupie or hathe righte to the Dunghill at the ende of Salfforde Brydge shall make cleane the steres [stairs] goyinge Downe to the water betwixt this and saterday come seavenyght And afterwards kepe the same Dunghill so y^t^ the same Do not Defyle or anoy the Steres from tyme to tyme sub pena every tyme iij^s^ iiij^d^

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[1] Sinderland appears to have been a hamlet in the parish of Ashton-under-Lyne. Randle Hilton made his will 30th September, 1572, describing himself as of the parish of Ashton-under-Lyne, and desiring to be buried in the church there. He names his wife, his sons John, Henry, and Laurence, and his bastard daughters Joan and Alice. One of the witnesses was Robert Brabener, clerk, the rector of Ashton-under-Lyne, and it was proved in May, 1574, before William Hardman, clerk, curate of Ashton-under-Lyne.

[2] To this Court came the said John Hilton [or *Hulton*] before Randle Hurlstone, Steward there, and was sworn to the lord and admitted tenant, and paid to the lord 12d. by [giving] his father's dagger.

[3] The death of Robert Becke was recorded at the Court held 21st April, 1557. (See p. 32.)

[4] John Bradshaw, of Bradshaw, Esq., was the son and heir of Alexander Bradshaw, of that place, Esq. He married Elizabeth, daughter of John Greenhalgh, of Brandlesome, Esq., and had John, his son and heir, and other issue. From his Inquisition *post mortem* he appears to have died seised of the manors of Lower Darwen and Bradshaw-within-Horwood, and messuages and lands there and in Sharples, Bolton, and Rivington.

The Jury Dothe order that Roger Bexwike and Richarde ffox shall so kepe the Gutter betwixt the howse of the sayd Roger and Richarde that the said Gutter be not noysome to the strete, And also that no Dunge or ffylthe come furthe of the same gutter And this to be Donne betwixt [this] and saterday come a sevenight and after wards kepe cleane the same from tyme to tyme sub pena every tyme iij^{s} iiij^{d}

Wheras good and Lawdable orders haue heretofore bene taken by the Jurors for reformacon of Dyvers things as in the courte booke may and Dothe appeare Wee order that the same be throughly put in execucon accordinge as they are set Downe in the sayde booke and the payne there due.

Teste ROBERTO LEIGHE[1]
Clico Cur ibm.

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[1] Robert Leigh appears to have taken the place of John Glover as Clerk of the Court. His name occurs as a witness to many Manchester wills of the latter end of the sixteenth century, and he was probably employed to write them.

Mancestr. [7th April, 1575.]

Cur cu[m] Visu ffranc pleg tent ibm die Jovis viz Septimo die Aprilis Anno Regni dñe nre Elizabethe Dei gra Anglie franc et hibnie Regine fidei defensor &c decimo septimo [1575] Coram Ranulpho hurlestone senescall ibm.

Inquico capt p Sacrm

Johis Radcliffe Jur
Richardi Plat Jur
Roberti Ouldam Jur
Jacobi Baguley Jur
Jacobi Rillstons Jur
Henrici Gee Jur
Willmi hardie Jur
Roberti hardy Jur
Johis Birche Jur
Richi Shalcrosse Jur
Roberti Cloughe Jur
Thomas Goodyeare [Jur]

The Jury dothe present that John Bradshawe sonne and heyre of Johne Bradshawe[1] hathe not come in to the courte and Donne his Dutie synce the deathe of his father, Wee order therefore that the saide John Bradshawe do come and Do his Dutie at the next courte sub pena.....vj^{s} viij^{d}.....*non est factum.*

The Jurie dothe presente Rycharde Pycrofte[2] to be depted synce the Laste courte and that Thomas Pycrofte is his sonne & heyre & vnder age.

The Jury dothe present Peter Sedon to be depted synce the Laste Courte and that Raphe Sedon is his sonne and nexte heyre but of what age we knowe not.

The Jury dothe present John Glover[3] to be depted and that William Glover his sonne and heyre is of Lawfull yeares to do his service.

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[1] See p. 168.

[2] The Pycrofts were an old Manchester family. No less than six Pycroft wills, all from Manchester parish, were proved at Chester between 1588 and 1619.

[3] This John Glover was probably the one whose name has occurred so often in these pages as Clerk of this Court. His will, dated 27th September, 1571, was proved at Chester, 26th September, 1572. In it he describes himself as of Manchester, yeoman, and desires to be buried "in the church of Manchester between the quere and the chapter house if they will suffer it or elsewhere." He names Elizabeth, his then wife, Anne, his daughter, and his sons William, John, Robert, Edward, and Anthony. After

The Jury dothe presente John Glover[1] yonger sonne to John Glover depted to be heire to on[e] Burgage by the gyfte of his father and is at Lawfull yeares to do his service.

The Jury dothe presente Robert Glover[2] sonne to the foresaide John Glover deceased to be heyre to on[e] burgage by the gyfte of his father lyinge in the myllgate and he is vnder age.

The Jury dothe present that synce the laste courte here holden there was ffounde in the howse of George Bolton of this towne of manchester in digginge of the grownde wthin the same howse xxij^{tl} oulde halfaced grotes called croste grotes,[3] They were ffownde by these ꝑsonns followinge, That is to say by John Brooke smythe Syx, by John Garther Syx by Thomas Cholerton smythe eighte by yonge Nabbs two, We can not fynde Where any of this money dothe remayne but onlie eighte of them in the hands of Robert Marler constable and ffoure of them in the hands of George Bolton.

The Jurie do order that whereas the Cunduyt of Manchest^{r} on[e] speciall ornament of the towne dothe dyvers tymes Lacke water the w^{ch} by the good furtherance of well disposed ꝑsons may be brought to suche ꝑfecc̃on that at all tymes hereafter there may be sufficient water to serve the towne wth all, In considerac̃on whereof these ꝑsons whose names followe are appoynted by the saide Jury to gather and collecte the charitie of well disposed ꝑsons for the amendinge of the same, and also to receave what money that dothe remayne in any ꝑsons hands towards the amendment of the same w^{ch} is vnpayde,[4]

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their mother's death the house the testator dwelt in was to go to William, his son, and his heirs for ever; the house of Ralph Barlowe, &c., to his son John; the house in the holding of Ralph Barlowe in the Milnegate, to his son Robert; and the remainder of the leases of two other houses to Edward and Anthony respectively. "My two golden rings the one to John my son and the other to my son Robert." "Elizabeth my wife" to be sole executrix and "I desire my right worshipful master Edmund Trafford of Trafford Esq. my chefe and good m^{r} [master] to be supervisor and to stand good m^{r} to my wife and children in Gods behalf."

[1] This John Glover, the younger son, was buried at Manchester, 6th September, 1590, being described in the Register as "one of our singeinge men." His will has been printed by the Chetham Society (*Lanc. & Chesh. Wills*, ij., 63).

[2] Robert Glover, as stated in the note above, had the house in the Millgate from his father.

[3] The *groat* was a silver coin of the value of fourpence. "Hal-faced groats" were those which bore on the one side the face of Henry VII. or Henry VIII., the "bluff King Hal" of the histories. They were called "crossed groats," from the large cross on the reverse, which divided the coin into four quarters. Mr. Harland, by misreading this entry, has called them "Salford groats," and suggested they might have been coined at Salford, but the word in the original is plainly enough, "hal faced."

[4] See p. 15, note 3.

william Radcliff gent humffrey Houghton, George Pendilton John Radcliffe Nicholas becke William hunte & henry Gee And further more we order that no ꝑson or ꝑsons shall at any tyme hereafter wasshe any clothes, or skowre [scour] any vessells, or wasshe any meates of beasts or calffes at the same Counduite sub pena from tyme to tyme and every tyme ij^{s} And we appoynt Thomas Aynesworthe & John Symson to be officers to present the same offence.

Whereas dyvers good and Lawdable orders heretofore made for good orders sake as in this courte booke more at Large Dothe and maye appeare, We order the same to stande and be in fforce And especiallie the order of weddings and Ales, and also of vnlawffull games, And if any man hereafter, shall offende in them to be Amercied accordinge to the same orders.

Ad hanc Cur venit Willmus Glover filius et heres Johis Glover Deffunct coram Ranulpho hurlestone senescall ibm et admissus est tenens et Jurat est dño et fecit fidelitatē et Reddit Dño ꝑ Annū ... iij^{d} [1]

Ad hanc Cur venit Johes Glover alius heres dicꝯ Johis coram Ranulpho hurlstone senescall ibm et admissus est tenens ꝑ vno burgagio in manchestr p'dicꝯ in Le Densgate modo in tenura Dode offen[2] et Jurat est Dño et fecit fidelitat et Reddit Dño ꝑ Annū ... iij^{d} [3]

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[1] To this Court came William Glover, son and heir of John Glover, deceased, before Randle Hurlestone, steward there, and was admitted tenant, and was sworn to the lord and did his fealty, and pays to the lord per annum 3d.

[2] So in the original, clearly written. What name "Dode offen" represents is not easy to say.

[3] To this Court came John Glover, another heir of the said John, before Randle Hurlestone, steward there, and was admitted tenant for one burgage in Manchester aforesaid, in the Deansgate, now in the tenure of Dode offen, and was sworn to the lord, and did his fealty, and pays to the lord per annum 3d.

Mancestr. [30th Sept., 1575.]

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Curia cum Visu francie plegii tent ibm die Veneris vid xxx^mo die Septembris Anno regni dñe nre Elizabethe dei gra Anglie franc et hibnie regine fidei Defensor &c decimo Septimo [1575] cora Ranulpho hurlestone Scenescallo ibm.

Inquico capl p Sacr(m)	Thome Willot Jur)	Richardi Gee Jur)
	Richardi hunte Jur)	Stephani browne Jur)
	Roberti Langley Jur)	Roberti Cloughe Jur)
	Richardi plat Jur)	Thome becke Jur)
	Georgij pendiltō Jur)	Radi byrche Jur)
	Joħi Houghtō drap Jur)	Jacobi Lancashire Jur)
	Radi prowdlove Jur)	Henrici Gee Jur)
	Jacobi Baguley Jur)	Joħi Glover Jur)
	Joħi Birche Jur)	Jacobi Choureton Jur)
	Roberti hardy Jur)	

Burrowe Reve	George Byrche Jur)
Catche Powle	Thomas Chouretō [Chorlton] Jur)
Constables	Henry Gee Jur) John Byrche Jur)
Marketlokers for corne	Edmunde Blomeley John Cowoppe Robert Janny Jur) Leonard potter Jur)
Marketlokers for fysshe and fflesshe...	John Warmbie Jur) Edwarde dyson
Myse Layers	John Houghtō drap Jur) Raphe prowdlove Jur)
myse gatherers	John Byllinge Jur) John postles Jur)
Sealers of Leather	Raphe Rodley Jur) Otywell Johnson Jur) Adame Rodley
Marketlokers for whitmeate in marketsteed Lane	Thomas Strengfellowe Jur) wiłłm waddam Jur)
Marketlokers for whytt meate in Myllgate	Richarde kyllner Jur) henry knowles Jur)
Marketlokers for whitt meate in deanes gate	Thomas hill Jur) John dyconson Jur)

Marketloker for whitt meate in hunts Bancke	Raphe Burdman Jur.
Marketlokers for whitmeate in wythin greave...	ffrancys Houghe Jur. Jacobus Grenehoughe Jur.
Officers for holsome breade ...	James Whitwurthe Jur. Robte wilshawe Jur.
Ale ffownders	Adame Hope Jur. Edward Burrowe Jur.
Birlamen for the market steed lane & y^e^ marketsteed	Robert Cloughe Jur. Thomas brownesword Jur.
Birlamen for the Deanes gate & S^t^ Mary gate	James Rillstone Anthony Shepde [Shephard]
Birlamen for the w^th^in greave and Hanginge dyche	Myles Willson Rycharde Moureton
Birlamen for the myllgate ...	John Lees Jur. Andrewe Renshawe Jur.
Birlamen for the hunts bancke...	Ewane Garlycke Jur.
Skevinger for the marketsteed lane	Humfrey houghton Jur. henry pendletō Jur.
Skevinger for the Deanes gate...	James baguley Jur. willm Glover
Skevingers for y^e^ myllgate ...	Myles Gilfforde Jur. Willm wharmby Jur.
Skevingers for the hanginge dyche and the meale gate ...	Robert Grenehaughe Jur. John Shawe Jur.
Skevingers frō y^e^ fenell strete to the Scholehowse	Ellyze Costerdyn Jur. Adam hall Jur.
Skevingers for the marke[t]steed	Nicholas Becke John Radcliff Jur.
Skevingers frō y^e^ boothes to the Smythy Doore	willm hardy Thomas Aynsworthe
Skevinger for S^t^ mary gate ...	Richard Adlinton Jur.
Officers for flrutes	Olyver Mosse at bourehowse Jur. John Asshton Jur.
Oficers for seeinge y^e^ order for Ales and Weddings executed	Thomas Smythe Jur. peter barlowe George Wirrall John Garnet
Praysers	Ric^d^ Galley Jur. George Romsdeyn Jur.
Afferours of the Courte... ...	Thomas Willot Jur. George prowdlove George Travis Jur. Ric^d^ Gee Jur.

Officers for makynge Cleane the market steed ... ... } John Sydall Jur̃ phillip Bexwike Jur̃
Beadle for y^e^ Roges [Rogues] ... Adame Johnson Jur̃

The Jurie dothe ꝑsente that Henry Chetam sonne and heyre of John Chetam of Nuthurste[1] deceased ys of Lawfull yeares and ys to doe his Service.

Ad hanc Cur̃ venit p'd henricus Chetam corā Lawrencio Trafforde[2] subsenescall ibm et Jur est dño et admissus est tenens &c.

The Jur[y] dothe also present that Michaell Harte sonne and heire of John Harte late of Manchester deceased ys of Lawfull yeares and ys to doe his Service.

Ad hanc Cur venit predict Michael Harte corā Lawrenc̃ Trafford Subscenescall ibm et Jurat est Dño et admissus est tenens et reddit dno p Ann̄ ij^s^ vj^d^

The Jurie dothe order that whereas there ys a hedge vpon the Lands of Nicholas Mosley adioyninge to a dongehill in the fenell streete vpon the Lands of Robert hulme gent nowe in Ruyne and decaye noysome to the neighbours thereabowts, That the same hedge be amended and well repayred before the feaste day of the Na^te^ of o^r^ Lorde [Dec. 25] nexte comynge vpon payne of iij^s^ iiij^d^....*factum est.*

Also the Jurie dothe order that William Radcliffe and Richard Hunte gent shall from tyme to tyme and at all tymes hereafter make cleane or cause to be made cleane one Gutter cōmonly called the Boothes gutter w^th^ one pale at the ende of the same nere vnto the Boothes doore so that the same gutter be neyther noysom to the passers by nor to the neighebours dwellinge nere vnto the same and accordinge to an order heretofore made concernynge the same .....*factum est.*

Also the Jurie dothe order That George hollande shall keepe his Donghill adioyninge to the Churche Yarde in suche Sorte, that the same be not noysom nor hurteffull to any the Tenants of Elizabethe the wieffe of Robert Jepson nor to any other of the neighbours dwellinge nere the same before the ffeaste daie of S^t^ Martyn the Busshoppe [Nov. 11] nexte and so to be kepte ffrom tyme to tyme sub pena-vj^s^ viij^d^.....*non est factum.*

[1] See pp. 164 and 167.

[2] Laurence Trafford, the Deputy Steward, whose name occurs here for the first time in that capacity, was the fourth son of Sir Edmund Trafford, of Trafford, Knt., who died in 1563, by his wiffe Anne, daughter of Sir Alexander Radcliffe, of Ordsall, Knt. He was living in 1591, and is then mentioned in the will of his uncle, Henry Trafford, rector of Wilmslow.

Manc[hester]. [6th April, 1576.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu ffranc pleg tent ibm Die Jovis vid vicesimo Sexto die mensis Aprilis Anno Regni dñe nre Elizabethe Dei gra Anglie ffranc et hibnie Regine fidei defensor &c. xviij^mo [1576].

Inq capt p Sacrm

Jur Ricus hunt Jur
Jur Richardi Plat Jur
Jur Georgi Travis Jur
Jur Radi Prowdlove Jur
Jur Jacobi Rilstone Jur
Jur Jacobi baguley Jur
Jur Willmi hardie Jur
Thome Becke Jur
Johis Glover Jur
Edwardi hanson Jur
Robti Clough Jur
Ranulphi Massie Jur
Johis Symson Jur
Jacobi lancashire Jur
Robti Ouldam Jur

The Jurie Dothe ffynde that Nicholas Nicolson ys Depted synce the laste leete Courte.

Jacobus Rillstone de Manchester marchant q Vsus Thomam Strangwaies de Strangwaies gen in plito debt xx^s Quos ei debt &c p vt vlterius declarabit [all this entry is crossed out].

The Jurie dothe psente that John Bradshawe sonne & heire apparante of John Bradshawe[1] hathe not come into the courte to doe his suyte and Service accordinge to an Order made at the laste leete but one Therefore Wee further order that the saide John Bradshawe shall come in to doe his Suyte and Service at the nexte leete Courte sub pena x^s.....*non est factum.*

The Jurie dothe ffynde that George hollande hathe not kepte his Donge hill adioynynge to the Churche yarde in such sorte as was sett Downe by an order made the last leete Therefore we further order that the same George shall from tyme to tyme accordinge to the saide order keepe the saide dunge hill sub pena x^s.....*factum est.*

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[1] See p. 168, and p. 170.

The Jurie dothe order that whereas there ys a gutter betwene the lands of John Marler gent and the lands of Michaell harte wherein are two pryvies the on[e], on the on[e] pte, and the other one the other pte w^ch^ are noysome aswell to eyther the saide pties as to the neighbours Dwellinge therebie Therefore wee order that the said pties shall place eyther of them vnder the said pryvies one Barrell wherbie the said gutter be not noysome to there neighbours And also y^t^ the saide pties betwixt them of there indiferent chargs shall make one pale betwixt the saide howses to avoyde the smell & fylthy lothsomnes thereof to the passers by before y^e^ feast daie of the Na^t^ of S^t^ John baptiste [June 24] next sub pena for eyther of them so offendinge iij^s^ iiij^d^.....*non est factum.*

Also the Jurie dothe order that no man shall from hencefurthe turne forthe any swyne at any tyme or tymes hereafter vpon the market daies So y^t^ they be founde in the streetes or markett places sub pena everie swyne so fownde xij^d^ And that those w^ch^ be appoynted for the makinge cleane of the market shall present the owners of the same swyne so founde And also gyve diligent heede to kepe the same swyne from sacks of Corne for and Duringe the market tyme.

Whereas there hathe bene one paire of Butts in o^r^ townes ende in a lane there called Alporde lane [Alport Lane] accordinge to the Statuts in that case provided[1] Neverthelesse fo[r] wante of Rayles by cattells throwne downe w^ch^ is greatlie compleyned of And maye be an occasion to hinder Artillerie[2] w^ch^ in this contrie of late tymes ys greatlie decayed Therefore the Jurie dothe order that the same butts shall be well and sufficientlie Repayred and amended And also Rayles there placed for the defence of the same butts att the costs and chargs of the whole Towne to be gathered and overseene by the constables of o^r^ towne nowe beinge before the feast daie of Pentecost next cominge.....*fact est.*

Whereas there hathe bene dyvers and sundrie good and lawdable orders heretofore made in y^e^ leete courts concerninge dyvers matters As by the great leete courte booke[3] more playnelie maye appeare The Jurie dothe order that the same shall be cōtynued and Do Ratifie cōfirme and establisshe the same.

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[1] See p. 55.

[2] *Artillery*, that is the practise of archery.

[3] This "great Leet Court Book" evidently refers to the one whose records are here being printed. There is no record of any previous book having been in existence.

Manc[hester]. [2nd Oct., 1576.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu ffranc pleg tent ibm Die Martis vid Secundo Die mens Octobris Ao Regni Dñe nre Elizabethe dei gra, Anglie, ffrancie, et hibernie Reme fidei Deffensor &c. Decimo octavo, [1576] coram Lawrentio Trafforde Subsenescallo[1] ibm.

Inq capt p Sacrm

Georgij Pendleton Jurt
Richardi Hunte Jurt
Jacobi Rillstonn Jurt
Johis Radcliffe Jurt
Johis Gee Jurt
Georgij Travys, Jurt
Richardi Platte, Jurt
Johannis Haughton, Jurt
wilhelmi Hardie, Jurt
Roberti Hardye, Jurt
Jacobi Baguley, Jurt
Radulphi Proudlove, Jurt
Roberti Ouldome, Jurt
Thome Goodyeare, Jurt
Johannis Gloverr, Jurt
Ranulphi Massye, Jurt

Burrowreve	John Gee, Jurt
Catchpowle	william Savage Jurt
Constables	xpofer Grante Jurt Nicholas Becke Jurt
Marketlokers for corne	Anthony Sheppde Jurt Richard Tippinge Jurt John Tildesleye Jurt Edwarde Cuncliffe Jurt
Marketlokers for fishe & ffleshe...	Roberte Wharmebie Jurt Alexander Potter
Myse layers	George Pendleton Jurt John Radcliffe Jurt
Myse gatherers	Edmunde Nugent Jurt Raphe Sorowcolde Jurt
Sealers of Lether	Andrew Renshaw Jurt Richarde Broocke Jurt Thoms Aynesworth Jurt

[1] Lawrence Trafford, Deputy Steward. (See p. 175).

Marketlokers for whitmeate, in the Marketstidlane	Thomas Clegge Jur̃ Thomas Batson Jur̃
Marketlokers for whitmeate in the Millnegate	Henry Adamson Jur̃ Leonarde Potter Jur̃
Marketlokers for whitmeate in the Deynesgate	John Postles Jur̃ Hugh Bordmā shereman Jur̃
Marketlokers for whitmeate in huntsbancke	Ewan Garlicke Jur̃
Marketlokers for whit meate in the withingreve	Richarde Mooreton Roberte Hollande Jur̃
Offycers for holesom breade ...	George Barlow Jur̃ Thomas Holte
Ale founders	Thomas Swarelande Jur̃ Elis Rothwell Jur̃
Birlamen for marketstidlane ...	Raphe Jepson willm Strengfelow Jur̃
Birlamen for Deynesgate ...	James Rillston Jur̃ John Postles
Birlamen for Wthingreve & hanging diche	James Grenehalgh Jur̃ John Birche taylio^{r}
Birlamen for myllgate	Roberte Langley Jur̃ Ranulphe massie Jur̃
Birlaman for huntesbancke ...	John Cowpe
Skevyngers for Marketstid lane...	James Baguley Jur̃ Thom̃s Brounsword Jur̃
Skevingers for Deynesgate ...	Edward Sorocold Jur̃ Thomas Smyth Jur̃
Skevingers for Millnegate ...	John Leeze Robte Radcliff Jur̃
Skevingers for hangingdiche & mealegate	Edwarde Hanson, Jur̃ Elis Marshall Jur̃
Skevingers from y^{e} fenell strete to y^{e} scholehowse	Roger Bexwicke Thomas Batson
Skevingers for Marketsteede ...	George kenrick, senio^{r} Richarde Thorpe Jur̃
Skeving^{rs} from y^{e} Boothes to y^{e} smithiedore	Thomas Goodyere Jur̃ Raphe Bexwicke Jur̃
Skevinger for S^{t} marygate ...	Richarde Renshall
Offycers for frutes	Olyu̅ Mosse Jur̃ John Asheton Jur̃
Offycers for seinge y^{e} order for Ales & weddings executed ...	Roberte Dureden Jur̃ Raphe Choureton Jur̃ Thomas Choureton Adam Pendleton Jur̃

Praysers	Willm Reade senior Jur George Romsdeyn Jur
Afferers of y^e^ courte	John Birche Jur Omfrey Haughton Jur John Haughton Jur Robte Hardye Jur
Offycers for makynge cleane y^e^ marketstid	John Siddall Jur Phillippe Bexwicke Jur
Beadle for Roges	Adam Johnson Jur

The Jurie doth presente y^t^ Thomas Grenehalgh of Brandlesom[1] ys depted synce the last courte, and John Grenehalgh sonne & heyre of the saide Thomas ys of age to doe his svyce [service].

The Jurie doth also presente y^t^ John Grymsdiche one of the ffeoffes of Lawrance Ashall, ys Depted synce the last courte.

The Jurie doth also presente y^t^ John Boothe of Barton[2] esquyer, is Depted synce the last courte.

The Jurie doth order that whereas many men haue gone with theire Cariags, as Donnge, Claye [carts] and suche lyke both vppō

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[1] Thomas Greenhalgh, of Brandlesholme, near Bury, Esq., was the son and heir of John Greenhalgh, of that place, Esq., whose death in 1556 was referred to in these Records in that year (see p. 29). According to the Lancashire Visitations, he was three times married, (1) to . . . . daughter of and co-heir of Robert Labrey or Labourer, of Manchester, sergeant-at-arms to King Henry VII., but she died s. p., (2) to Anne, the eldest daughter of John Davenport, of Davenport, co. Chester, Esq., by whom he had a son and heir John Greenhalgh, and (3) to Alice, daughter of . . . . Cudworth, of Wormhill, by whom he had a daughter Anne. His will dated 23rd January, 1575-6, was proved at Chester, 8th August, 1576. He desired to be buried in the parish church of Bury, and mentions Richard Jones, clerk, rector of Bury, one of his feoffees, appointed in 1566, but who was then dead. His widow Alice and her daughter Anne are also mentioned. His Inquisition *post mortem* states that he died seised of the manors of Brandlesholme, and messuages and lands there, and in Bury, Moston, Blakelow Walmesley, Horwich, Newton, and Spotland.

[2] John Booth, of Barton, Esq., the last heir male of that old family, was the son and heir of the John Booth, of Barton, Esq., who died in or before 1563, by his wife Anne, daughter of Sir Richard Brereton, of Worsley, Knt. He was twice married, (1) at Middleton church, 22nd November, 1547, to Anne, daughter of Richard Ashton, of Middleton, Esq., by whom he had no issue, and (2) *c.* 1560 or earlier, to Ellen, daughter of Sir Piers Legh, of Lyme, co. Chester, Knt., by whom he had four daughters and co-heirs, Margaret, Anne, Katherine, and Dorothy, living at the time of his death, and a fifth daughter Barbara, who died young. Of these daughters, Margaret, the eldest, married Edmund Trafford, Esq. (afterwards knighted), son and heir of Sir Edmund Trafford, Knt., by whom she had issue; Anne, the second daughter, married George Legh, of High Legh, co. Chester, Esq., and had issue George Legh, of Barton, Esq., and others; Katherine, the third daughter, died unmarried *c.* 1583; and Dorothy, the youngest, who married (1) John Molineux, Esq., second son of Sir Richard Molineux,

the Cawseys,[1] and at inconvenyente tymes in the yere whereby y^e^ Cawseys in the highwaie aboute Manchester are greatlye worsened, [*i.e.*, injured] Therefore y^e^ Jurye doth order y^t^ no man pson or psons shall at anye tyme or tymes hereafter passe w^th^ theire Cartes or Cariags vppon the Cawseys in the highwaie havinge suffycient waie for theire said cartes by the said Cawseys, vppon payne for euye [time] so offendinge xij^d^

Also the Jurye doth order y^t^ Robert Clough shall cause his Donnghill over anendst his barne to be removed & caryed awaye before the feaste daye of the Na^tle^ of our lorde [Dec. 25], and also hereafter not to laye any there sub pena iij^s^ iiij^d^

Roberte Oldam } ouseers for the order concernynge
Roger Bowker } the Cawseys.

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of Sefton, Knt., by whom she had issue an only daughter and heir, Bridget, who married Thomas Charnock, of Astley, Esq., and (2) Edward Dukinfield, a younger son of William Dukinfield, of Dukinfield, co. Chester, Esq., by whom she had issue. The will of John Booth, Esq., dated 5th August, 1571, and proved at Chester 9th October, 1576, has been printed by the Chetham Society, new series, vol. iij., *Lanc. & Chesh. Wills*, p. 67. He desired to be buried within the parish church of Eccles "in such chappell or place as my Auncestors have heretofore been buried in." His Inquisition *post mortem* states that he died seised of the manor of Barton on the Irwell, and messuages and lands there and in Bradford, Upper Ardwick, Lower Ardwick, Pycroft, Openshaw, Greenlow, Flixton, &c.

[1] Causeways, or paths by the sides of the roads.

[Manchester.] [11th April, 1577.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu ffranc pleg tent apud Manchester die Jovis vid vndecimo die Aprilis, A° regni dñe nre Elizabeth dei gra Anglie ffrancie et hibernie Regine fidei defensor etc. Decimo nono [1577], coram Ranulpho Hurlston scenescallo ibm.

Robertus Marler de Manc in com Lanc Aurifaber, quer versus Michaelem harte de ead yoman in plito transgressionis sup casu ad dampnū q xiij^{s} iiij^{d}, quos ei deb^{t} &c pvt vlterius declarabit &c ptes concordati sunt ideo q in mia vj^{d} [1]

Inquico capt p Sacrm	Wilhelmi Radclyffe gen. Jur	Johannis Birche. Jur
	Roberti Langley gen. Jur	Georgii Travys, Jur
	Henrici Pendilton. Jur	Jacobi Baguley. Jur
	Georgii Hollande gen. Jur	Jacobi Lancashire, Jur
	Georgii Birche gen. Jur	Roberti Clough. Jur
	Georgii Proudlove Jur	Robti Oldam. Jur
	Georgii Pendilton Jur	Ranulphi Birche alias Orcharde Jur
	Radulphi Proudglove, *(sic)* Jur	Johis Radclyffe, Jur

The Jurye doth presente Anthonye Moslaye[2] to haue purchased of William Benbrigge gentillman[3] certeyne closses and pcells of landes lyenge betwixte the Hamell [hamlet] of Newton and Colyhurste, and ys to doe his svyce, and paye to the lorde for the same lands vij^{s} by yeare.

Also we presente the same Anthonye to haue purchased of y^{e} said willm two howses wth thappurtennes, nowe in the occupacon of

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[1] Robert Marler, of Manchester, co. Lanc., goldsmith, sues Michael Hart of the same place, yeoman, in a plea of trespass to the value of 13s. 4d. which he owes him, as he will further declare, &c., the parties are agreed and are therefore amerced 6d.

[2] Anthony Mosley was the third and youngest son of Edward Mosley, of Hough End, gent., whose death took place *c.* 1570 (see p. 138). He was a clothier in Manchester, and subsequently purchased the Ancoats estate, and died there in 1627.

[3] See p. 150. William Bainbridge appears to have sold his property in Manchester piecemeal about this time.

Richarde Kilner and James Bordman, w^th^ also one ꝑcell of lande, lyenge on y^e^ backesyde y^e^ same howses, now in the occupac̃on of Elizabeth Briddocke widowe, and ys to paye for the same lands to the lorde xiij^d^ by yeare.

The Jurye doth present John Platte sonne and heyre of Richarde Platte gent,[1] to haue purchased of the aforesaid william certeyne howses & landes now in the holdinge & occupac̃on of Katheryn Turner wydowe & John Shacklocke, and ys to doe his ꝟvyce and paye to the lorde for the same landes v^d^ by yeare.

The Jurye doth lykewyse present Henry Adamson to haue purchased of the same w^m^ Benbrigge, certeyne howses and landes now in y^e^ occupac̃on of the said Henry Adamson, and wiłłm Standley, and ys to doe his ꝟvyce, and paye to the lorde for the same lands viij^d^ by yeare.

The Jurye doth order that George Travys shall come into this courte and doe his sute & servyce in the righte of Anne his wyffe, and ys to paye to the lorde for y^e^ lands he hath in the righte of his said wyffe vj^d^ by yeare.

The Jury doth presente that Raphe Byrom gentillman[2] ys of lawfull age and owe to come in at this courte, and doe his sute and ꝟvyce, or ells at the nexte courte holden sub pena vj^s^ viij^d^ he comes to vs, & ys redye to doe his ꝟvyce.

The Jurye doth ꝑsente Henry Chethm of Nuthurste genꝟ,[3] ys depted synce the laste courte, and that James Chetham brother to the said Henry ys his nexte heyre and vnder age.

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[1] Richard Platt, gent., was of Platt Hall, in Rusholme, the representative of a family of smaller gentry long seated there. His eldest son and heir apparent, John Platt, married Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Birch, of Birch, gent., the marriage settlement being dated 15th December, 1576. He, however, died before his father in 1587, without issue.

[2] Ralph Byrom was the son and heir of George Byrom, of Salford, merchant, who died in 1558 (see p. 43), and at the time of his father's death he was about three years of age. He died in 1598.

[3] This entry helps to correct an error, which is to be found in Sir William Dugdale's Visitation of Lancashire, 1664-5, where it is stated, in the pedigree of Chetham, of Nuthurst, there entered, that the James Chetham named in the text was the *son* of Henry Chetham, of Nuthurst, Esq. This mistake has been frequently copied, but it is clear from this entry that he was the brother of Henry and not his son. This is also proved by a comparison of dates. Henry Chetham succeeded his father in 1574 (see p. 164), but was then under age. James Chetham, his younger brother, who was under age in 1577, was 21 years of age in 1579, as shown by a "proof of age" taken in that year. Henry Chetham appears to have left no will, and administration of his effects was not granted to his brother James till 1589 (*Lanc. & Chesh. Wills*, Chetham Society, new series, vol. iij., p. 207). His Inquisition *post mortem* states that he died seised of messuages, lands, &c., in Nuthurst, Butterworth, Middleton, Castleton, Crompton, and Manchester.

The Jurye doth psente Thomas Massie of Wikelswicke esquyer[1] to be departed synce the last courte, and that Thomas Massye ys his sonne and heyre, and vnder Age.

The Jury doth presente y^t^ John Grenehalgh sonne and heire of Thomas Grenehalgh of Brandlesom esquyre[2] hath not come into the courte, and done his Duetye synce the Death of his father we order therefore that the said John Grenehalgh doe come and doe his duetie at y^e^ nexte courte sub pena vj^s^ viij^d^.....*non est factum.*

The Jurye doth presente y^t^ John Bradshawe sonne and heyre apparante of John Bradshawe esquyer,[3] hath not come into y^e^ courte to doe his sute and ꝟvyce, accordinge to an order heretofore made wherein we fynde the said John Bradshawe in misericordia x^s^ therefore we further ord^r^ y^t^ the said John Bradshawe shall come in to Doe his sute and ꝟvyce at y^e^ nexte courte here holden sub pena xx^s^. [In the margin:—Respectuatur p Scen^lm^.][4]

The Jurye doth order that whereas the tanners of this towne & others haue obteyned lycence to tanne or make bynde lether,[5] & synce the lycence obteyned, dyuze complaynts haue bene made of the evill tannynge of the said bynde lether, that the said tanners from hencforth shall not sell any binde lether, afore yt be sufficientlye tanned and allowed by the sealers, & further y^t^ no tanner doth or shall cutte any cowe hydes into binde leather sub pena euye one so offending x^s^

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[1] Thomas Massey, of Whickleswick (a place near Trafford Park, but in Eccles parish), Esq., was descended from Hugh Massey, of Coddington, co. Chester (the sixth son of Sir John Massey, of Tatton, co. Chester, Knt.), who married Agnes, daughter and heir of Nicholas Bold, lord of Whickleswick, and settled there. Little, however, appears to be known of this family, which did not enter at any of the Lancashire Visitations. His will, dated 9th December, 1576, and proved at Chester, 16th January, 1576-7, occurs amongst the wills formerly preserved at Chester, but now lost, but Mr. Piccope's abstract of it is printed in *Lanc. & Ches. Wills* (Chetham Society, new series, vol. iij., p. 222). He desires to be buried "within the church of Eccles, nere unto my father and mother, under the stone where they lye." He names his son Thomas, his wife Katherine, his three daughters Dorothy, Elizabeth, and Anne, and his three sisters Margaret, Anne, and Eleanor. He also names his father-in-law, George Lathom, gent., and Richard Hunt, his brother-in-law, and desires his "Right Worshipfull Master John Radclyffe Esq. and Edmund Radclyffe my loving cosin to be overseers." His Inquisition *post mortem* states that he died seised of the manor of Whickleswick within Barton-on-Irwell, and messuages and lands there.

[2] See p. 180. [3] See pp. 168, 170, and 176.

[4] It is respited by the steward.

[5] "Binde leather" was probably a special kind of fine leather used for various purposes.

The Jurye doth order that James Smyth capper, and william Savage, shalbe offycers, to see that y^e^ statute of weyringe capps[1] be observed and kepte here in Manchester churche, and those y^t^ make defaulte, they to presente theire names here at y^e^ next leete courte.

The Jurye doth presente, that whereas dy̅se good orders heretofore made for the amendment of mysordered p̅sons, aswell those y^t^ kepe alehowses, as those y^t^ frequente them, notw^th^standinge not such amendmente as we loked for, In consideracon whereof we order, y^t^ he or they whomsoe̅ shall hereafter offende in suffringe any vnlawfull games[2] or mysorders, in theire howses gardyns, or backesydes, not only they that doe suffer the same mysorders, but they that commytte y^e^ same shall forfeyte to ye lorde for e̅ye tyme so offendinge vj^s^ viij^d^ And further whereas by an order heretofore maide yt was ordred that what p̅son soe̅ [person soever] shalbe founde droncken in any ale howse w^th^in this towne, or ells seene abroade in the streetes shall therefore be punyshed all nighte in the Donngeon,[3] and moreouer paie p̅sently when they be releaxed vj^d^ to the constables to be geven to the poore, And further we order that the Constables from tyme to tyme asmuche as in them lyeth, or ys possible to be done to see this order executed, and presentmente of this order above wrytten [made], for the amendment of o^r^ towne and restreynte of mysordered p̅sons.

The Jurye doth order, that accordinge to an order heretofore made for the kepinge, and makinge cleane aboute the Conducte, [Conduit] wee ordeyne Henry Gee and Thomas Aynesworthe to be ouerseers to see the same order put in execucon, and make presentment of the offenders, and also y^t^ no p̅sons hereafter shall washe anye clothes or any other thinge y^t^ shalbe noyesome aboute y^e^ same, sub pena from tyme to tyme and e̅ye tyme so offendinge xij^d^

The Jurye doth fynde that Roberte Hulme gent[4] in buyldinge of his new howse hath streytned the waye towards the S^t^ Mary gate and as we haue knowledge by Edmunde Blomeley who offered to sweare y^e^ same y^t^ he hath not buyld aboue two fyngers [width].

The Jury doth fynde Raphe Birche alias Orcharde to haue sett into the streete agaynste his howse two postes to beare vpp a pendich[5] for defence of A Seller.

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[1] See p. 155. [2] See p. 50. [3] See p. 161. [4] See p. 142.

[5] A "pendich" was probably a lean-to roof, covering the opening into the cellar.

The Jurye doth ꝑsente y^t Thomas Costerdyne[1] of London m̃chante hath purchased of Edwarde Shalcrosse, certeyne closses called shooters bruckefields, [Shooter's brook fields] but by what Rent or s̃vyce [they are held] we know not.

The Jurye doth presente y^t whereas Dy̅ze [divers] orders heretofore made to thend the Inhabitants of the towne shoulde grynde y̓r [their] greyne and cornes at y^e Lords mylnes,[2] Notw^thstandinge many not regarding theire cõmon wealthe and good educatyon of theire children in y^e said schoole, willfullye absente them selves, and grynde at other myllnes now to the greate hinderance, and in shorte tyme yf not ꝑvyded for, to the greate o̅throwe [overthrow] of the saide schoole, w^ch only ys founded and maynteyned by suche comoditye, as doth grow by the same, these therefore are to desyre all those y^t doe absente them selves from the said Myllnes, y^t they woulde bringe or cause to be broughte theire corne vnto the same myllnes there to be groũde [ground], and if defaulte be in the mylner, they shall haue recompence, as by the advyse of two honest men to be appoynted shalbe thoughte meete, and yf this o^r gentle request will not serve, then to thincke no vncurtesye, yf we vse suche meanes, as we maye lawfully may, to compell them to the same.

The Jury doth request y^t all those, who haue w^thdrawne y^r [their] good willes or suche stypend of money, as they haue bene accustomed to gyve the Waytes,[3] that they would the rather at o^r request extend theire good willes to further ther stypend and not to hynder yt.

Ad hanc Cur̃ venit Anthonius Moseley et iuravit dño et admissus est tenens coram Ranulpho Hurleston Scenescallo ibm ꝑ terr̃ quas ꝑquisivit ex Wilhelmo Benbrigge gen̅, et reddit dño ꝑ a^m viij^s j^d [4]

Ad hanc cur̃ venit Joh̃es Platte filius et heres Ric̃i Platte gen̅, coꝝ Ranulpho Hurleston scenescallo ibm, et iurav^t dño et admissus est tenens ꝑ terr quas ꝑquisivit ex p̃fate Wilhelmo Benbrigge gen̅ et reddit Dño ꝑ ann̅ ꝑ eisdem v^d [5]

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[1] The Costerdines were an old Manchester family, chiefly living at Blackley. Elizabeth, daughter of William Costerdine, of Blackley, married (1) George Halgh, of Halgh, in Moston, gent., and (2) Sir John Byron, of Clayton, Knt., by whom she had issue. Thomas Costerdyne is again mentioned at the Court held 19th April, 1582, see *postea*. The name is now generally written Consterdine.

[2] See p. 30. [3] See p. 83.

[4] To this Court came Anthony Moseley and swore [fealty] to the lord and was admitted tenant before Randle Hurlstone, steward there, for the lands which he bought from William Bainbridge, gent., and pays to the lord by the year 8s. 1d. (See p. 182.)

[5] To this Court came John Platt, son and heir of Richard Platt, gent., before Randle Hurlestone, steward there, and swore [fealty] to the lord, and was admitted tenant for the lands which he bought of the said William Bainbridge, gent., and pays to the lord per annum for the same 5d. (See p. 183.)

Ad hanc cur̃ venit Henricus Adamson coĩa p̄fato Ranulpho hurleston scenescallo ib̃m, et iurav^{t} dño, et admissus est tenens p̄ terr quas p̄quisiv^{t} ex p'fat̃ will̃mo Benbrigge gen̄, et reddit Dño p̄ a^{m} p̄ eisdem viij^{d} [1]

Ad hanc cur̃ venit Georgius Travys coĩa p̄fat Ran̄ hurleston scenescallo ib̃m et iurav^{t} dño et admissus est tenens iure vxoris sue, et reddit dño p̄ a^{m} vj^{d} [2]

Ad hanc Cur venit Rádulphus Byrom gen̄ coĩa p̄fat̃ Ranulpho Hurleston scenescallo ib̃m, et iurav^{t} dño et admissus est tenens.[3]

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[1] To this Court came Henry Adamson, before the said Randle Hurlestone, steward there, and swore [fealty] to the lord, and was admitted tenant for the lands which he bought of William Bainbridge, gent., and pays to the lord per annum for the same 8d. (See p. 183.)

[2] To this Court came George Travis, before the said Randle Hurlestone, steward there, and swore [fealty] to the lord, and was admitted tenant [for lands held by him] in right of his wife, and pays to the lord per annum 6d. (See p. 183.)

[3] To this Court came Ralph Byrom, gent., before the said Randle Hurlestone, steward there, and swore [fealty] to the lord, and was admitted tenant. (See p. 183.)

Manc[hester]. [30th Sept., 1577.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu ffranc pleg tent ibm die Lune vid xxx^mo^ die Septembris A° Regni Dñe nre Elizabethe dei gra Anglie ffranc et hibnie Regine fidei defensor &c. Decimo nono [1577] coram Ranulpho hurlestone Senescallo Ibm.

Inquico capt p Sacr[m]
Robti Langley Jur
Georgii prowdlove Jur
Rici hunte gen Jur
Georgii pendleton Jur
homfridi houghton Jur
Johis houghton Jur
henrici Gee Jur
Rad prowdlove Jur
Willmi hardie Jur
Robti hardie
Jacobi Baguley Jur
Thome Goodyeare Jur
Robti Ouldā Jur
Jacobi Lancashire Jur
Ranulphi massie Jur
Rad Byrche als Orcharde Jur

Burrowreve	John Gee
Catchpoule	Leonerde Rothwell
Constables	Thomas Aynsworth Richard Tippinge
Marketlookers for Corne ...	George Proudlove Thomas Batson William Boulton Richard Halywell
Marketlookers for fish and fleshe	James Hilton George Kirkall
Myse layers	Robart Langley Henrie Gee
Myse gatherers	John Tildesley John Garnet
Sealers of Leather	John Simpson George Dawson George Barlowe
Marketlookers for whitmeate in y^e^ Marketstedelane	Thomas Strengfelowe Robarte Cloughe
Marketlookers for whitmeate in y^e^ Milnegate	Richard Kilner Henry Beamond
Marketlookers for whitmeate in y^e^ Deansgate	Robarte ffaringtonne Edmond Leeze shereman

Marketlookers for whitmeate in y^e^ Hunts Banke	Ranulphe Leighe
Marketlookers for whitmeate in y^e^ withengreve	ffrancs Houghe
Officers for holsome bread ...	John Cowopp Willm Barlowe
Ale founders	Edward Hanson George wirrall
Birlamen for Marketstedelane ...	Robarte wharmebye williame Hunte
Birlamen for Deansgate & S^t^ Mary gate	Alexander Potter John Grenealghe
Birlamen for w^th^ingreve and hanginge dyche	Robarte Oldam George Bolton
Birlamen for Milgate	Henrie Knoules Hughe Marler
Birlaman for hunts bancke ...	John Cowoppe
Sckevingers for Marketstedlane...	Rich. Brownsworde Thomas Clegge
Skevingers for Deansgate ...	Hugh Bordman Gloverr Anthony Shepard
Skevingers for Milgate & Todelane	willm Sorocold James Bordman glover Raphe Rodley
Skevingers for hanginge dyche and Melegate	Raphe Birch als Orchard Thomas Harrison
Skevingers from y^e^ fenell streete to y^e^ Schole	Phillipp Dalton Ellis Costerdyne
Skevingers for bothe y^e^ Market steeds...	Raphe Shelmdyne Raphe Gee
Skevingers from y^e^ Booths to y^e^ Smithidore	John Billindge
Skevinger for S^t^ Marie gate ...	George Chourton
Officers for fruits	Thomas Wright
Officers for seinge thord^r^ for Ales & weddings Executed ...	George Travis senio^r^ William Hardye William wharmebye
Praysers	George Romsden William Reade senio^r^
Affeyrers of y^e^ Courte	George Pendelton James Rilstonn Raphe Proudlove William Hardie
Officers for makinge cleane y^e^ Market steede...	Phillippe Bexwicke & Richard Paynter

The Jurye doth presente that all those that be ffreeholders and owe to doe Sute & S^r^vice to this Courte & have not appeared this day to be amercied in ij^s^ apece for this tyme.

The Jurie doth also p^r^sente all y^e^ Burgess^e^ y^t^ have not apeared this day to be amercied in vj^d^ vnles y^ei^ [they] shewe sufficient cause vnto y^e^ fearers [the affeerors] afore y^e^ courte be feniced [finished].

Itm the Jurie dothe prẽnte Thomas willott[1] to be departed since the last leet courte and that Edmonde willot is his sonne & heire and vnder age.

Itm the Jurie doth presente that James Gilliame[2] is departed since y^e^ last Courte & that John Gilliam his sonne is of full age and is to doe his S^r^vice.

The Jurie dothe order that wheras dyũs good orders have bene made concerninge those that doe brue to Sell notw^th^standinge the said orders [are] not observed to the greate hindrance not onely to the inhabitants of the towne but also vnto others of y^e^ Quenes lage people That all those that doe brue or hereafter shall brue to Sell shall not Sell any ale or beare above one penye an ale quarte and those that make defalte herein to forfayte for euerie tyme so offendinge iij^s^ iiij^d^ the one halfe to him or them that shall complayne & the other halfe to the benefyte of the towne and yt to be bestowed accordinge to y^e^ discretion of M^r^ Steward & the Jurie & the money to be delyvered into y^e^ hands of y^e^ foreman of y^e^ Jurye & this order to take place the xij^th^ day of October next after. [All this entry is crossed out.]

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[1] Thomas Willott was the son and heir of Thomas Willott the elder, who came from Fenny Stratford, co. Bucks, and settled in Manchester about 1556, and was living there in 1561. Thomas Willott, the younger, married Ellen, fifth and youngest daughter of Sir Edmund Trafford, of Trafford, Knt., by Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Ralph Longford, of Longford, co. Derby, Knt., the marriage settlement being dated 10th April, 1567. By her he had a son and heir, Edmund, named in the text, and two daughters, Isabel and Mary. He made his will 7th April, 1577, and died at Manchester on 2nd May following. His widow, Ellen, married for her second husband Thomas Cogan, Master of Arts and Bachelor of Physic, High Master of the Manchester Grammar School, and was buried at Manchester on 30th December, 1611. (See the *Palatine Note Book*, April, 1883.)

[2] James Gilliam was of Failsworth, near Manchester. His will, dated 17th January, 1576-7, was proved at Chester, 28th May, 1577. In it he calls himself "husbandman," and desires to be buried in the parish church of Manchester. He names John Gilliam, his eldest son; Hugh, his younger son; Annes or Agnes, the wife of James Scholes (and Alice, Katherine, and Dorothy, their daughters), Hugh, John, and James, sons of the said Hugh Gilliam, and Thomas and John, sons of Thomas Chetham, of Royton. He appoints James Traves, senior, and James Scoles, supervisors, and one of the witnesses was Robert Whitaker, clerk.

The Jurie doth order that James Smithe capp[r] & williame Savage shalbe officers to see that y[e] Statute of wearinge Capps[1] be observed & kepte here in Mamch[r] church and those that make defalte they to presente ther names here at y[e] nexte Leete courte.

The Jurie doth order that everie man shall amende & kepe his awne parte of y[e] Streete or paymente [pavement] brocken ageanst his awne Lande accordinge to an order made heretofore & this to amende by y[e] appoyntm[te] of y[e] Skevengers & they that make defalte herein to be p[r]sented by the seid Skevengers and y[is] to be done by & afore the feaste day of S[t] Andrewe the Apostell [Nov. 30] nexte Sub pena everie one so offendinge ... ...ij[s]

The Jurie doth order that Ric[d] Hunte Nicholas Becke and the Constables for y[e] tyme beinge shall have aucthoritie to see for y[e] amendm[te] of y[e] Conditt & y[t] y[e] same may be vsed accordinge to y[e] foundac̃one therof made and y[t] y[e] layes y[e]of [thereof] shalbe kepte by y[er] [their] appoyntm[te] and to y[e] ende that y[e] same may be amended beinge now in decay & ruin that Humfray Haughton Raphe Proudlove Henrye Gee & James Baguley shall associate & helpe them for y[e] colleccone and gatheringe of y[e] money for y[e] Same.

The Jurie doth p[r]sente that att this Courte a Survey booke was Shewed vnto vs by M[r] Steward wherin it did appeare that y[e] inhabitance of y[e] towne of Mamch[r] & certen hamletts therof shold grynde ther Corne att y[e] Millnes of Mamch[r] w[ch] booke bearethe date in Edwarde y[e] Seacond his tyme.[2]

The Jurie doth order that all thos y[t] have any timber staks or blocks lyinge in y[e] Mele gate [Millgate] shall take y[e] same awaye afore y[e] feaste of all S[ts] [Nov. 1] nexte Comınge & y[t] hereafter none be laide ther Sub pena iij[s] iiij[d]

The Jurie doth order that Robte Holme shall dyche or cause to be dyched all alonge his fields in Newton Lane & so kepe y[e] same that y[e] water may have his course & y[t] this be done afore y[e] firste weeke of Lente next sub pena vj[s] viij[d]

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[1] See p. 155 and p. 185.

[2] The "Survey Book" of the time of Edward II., here mentioned, was probably the Survey of the manor of Manchester, taken 13th Edward II., 1320, which has been printed by Mr. Harland in his *Mamecestre*, chapter xv. It is there stated (p. 315 translated) "there is there the mill of Mamecestre running by the water of Irke, worth by the year £10, at which all the burgesses and all the tenants of the vill of Mamecestre, of the hamlets of Ardwicke, Oponshaghe, Curmesalle, Moston, Nuthurst, Gothereswicke and Ancottes ought to grind their corn to the sixteenth grain; no tenant of the vill or of the hamlets aforesaid being excepted save the lord of Moston, who will be hopper free [and ought to grind] to the twentieth grain." This means that the above-named tenants had to pay to the lord one sixteenth of all their corn they had ground at his mill, except the lord of Moston, who only paid one twentieth.

The Jurie doth order that Thomas Trafford gent[1] shall cause his Dyche betwixte his field & Ric hunts fields to be dyched that the water may have his Course in y[e] Market stede lane & that this be done by the feaste of y[e] Purificac̃one of Marie [Feb. 2] next cominge sub pena vj[s] viij[d]

The Jurie doth presente that Thomas Lighe of highfeld[2] is depted since y[e] last courte & of what age & name his sonne or heir is of wee knowe not.

The Jurie dothe order that George Kenerick shall make cleane his parte of the streete close to M[rs] Becks[3] parte of y[e] streete & to kepe y[e] same cleane from tyme to tyme sub pena ij[s]

The Jurie dothe order that all those that kepe lodginge w[th]in y[is] [this] towne shall not suffer any Stranger to lodge w[th] them above ij nights & days vnlesse he make yt knowen vnto y[e] steward or Constables excepte he or they be such as y[ei] [they] knowe and will answere for them y[t] y[ei] [that they] have lawfull busines Sub pena x[s]

The Jurie doth order that no Mans children or ꝑvants shall goe abroad in y[e] Streets ner come in any Alehowse havinge no Lawfull busines att after Eight of y[e] Clock in Winter & after Nyne of y[e] Clok in Som[r] tyme vpon payne to everie one so offendinge ij[s] And also yf any inkep [innkeeper] that doth or shall hereafter Sell any Ale or meate to any S[r]vante or children after y[e] said tyme then he or they so doinge shall forfayte for everie tyme ij[s] And y[e] Same forfeturs to be levied by distresse or ells by Ac̃one in y[e] Courte.

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[1] Mr. Thomas Trafford was the third son of Sir Edmund Trafford, of Trafford, Knt., by his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Ralph Longford, of Longford, co. Derby, Knt. He was living in 1572, and had a son Edmund, who was living in 1591. His wife, Elizabeth, was buried at Manchester, 11th November, 1578, and on 18th February, 1578-9, he consoled himself by marrying Ellen Thorpe, of Manchester.

[2] From an old pedigree of the Leighs, of High Leigh (the West Hall), co. Chester, drawn up *c.* 1629, it would appear that Thomas Leigh, of High Leigh, Esq., by his second wife, Joan, daughter of John Holcroft, of Holcroft, co. Lanc., Esq., had a son, John, who was the first Leigh, of Highfield, co. Lanc. At the next Court Leet it was returned that Richard Leigh was son and heir of the Thomas Leigh named in the text.

[3] See p. 144, note 3.

[Manchester.] [3rd April, 1578.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu ffranc pleg tent ibm die Jovis vidz tertio die Aprilis A° Regni dñe nre Elizabeth dei gra Anglie francie et hibernie re[ne] fidei defensor &c. vicessimo [1578] coa Ran[s] Hurleston ar) scenescallo ibm.

Inq) capt p Sacr(m)
Roberti Langley Jur)
Georgii Proudlove Jur)
Radi Proudlove Jur)
Johnis Birch Jur)
Georgii Travis Jur)
Richardi Gee Jur)
Ranulphi Massie Jur)
Johnis Radcliffe Jur)
Johnis Gloverr Jur)
Thome Goodyeare Jur)
Robti Cloughe Jur)
Henrici Adamson Jur)
Robti Siddall Jur)

The Jurie doth presente that Raphe Seddon sonne & heire vnto Peter Seddon & Sicelye his wyffe as in y[e] right of his wyffe & other conveyancs to him passed is of full age and is to doe his vice and at this Courte the seid Raphe was sworne to y[e] lord & did his fealtie.

Also y[e] same Jurie doth psente y[t] John Gilliam[1] sonn & heire to James Gilliame dec. ys of full age & is to doe his S[r]vice & the seid John is sworne lykewyse & did his fealtie.....*factum est*..... In another hand :—compuit et admissus est tenens.[2]

Also we p[r]sente y[t] hughe Gilliame[1] one of y[e] heirs of y[e] seid James Gilliam for one halfe Burgage in y[e] mketsteedlane ys of full age & is to doe his vice & att this Courte y[e] seid Hughe Gilliam was sworne to y[e] lorde & did his fealtie.....*factum est*..... In another hand :—compuit et admissus est tenens.[2]

Also wee p[r]sente Thomas Byrom one of the heirs of George Byrom[3] for one Burgage in y[e] market steede lane to be of full age and is to do his Sute & S[r]vice the Same Thoms came at this courte & is sworne & is admitted tenante & did his fealtie.

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[1] See p. 190.

[2] He appeared and was admitted tenant.

[3] Thomas Byrom was the younger son of George Byrom, of Salford, merchant. (See p. 43.) He was a child at his father's death in 1558, but had now become of age, and so could be admitted tenant. He died in 1605, leaving issue by his wife Alice. (See *Byrom Pedigrees.*)

Also wee p'sente Richard Lighe sonne & heire to Thoms Leighe of highfelde[1] to be of lawfull age & wee order that the said Richard shall come in att y^e^ nexte Leete to doe his S'vice sub pena vj^s^ viij^d^ .....*factum est.*

Also wee p'sente Edmunde Prestw^ch^ Esquyre[2] to be depted since y^e^ last Courte & y^t^ Issabell wyffe vnto y^e^ seid Edmond ys Seased of all his lands duringe her lyffe y^e^ Remaynder to Edmonde Prestw^ch^ duringe his lyffe & to his heirs male.

Also wee p'sente y^t^ William Bibbie[3] is depted since y^e^ laste Courte & James Bibbie broth^r^ & heire vnto willm Bibbie ys at Lawfull age & is to doe his Sute & S'vice and at this Courte the seid James was sworne to y^e^ Lord & did his fealtie.....*factum est.*

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[1] See p. 192.

[2] Edmund Prestwich, of Hulme, near Manchester, Esq., was the second son, and ultimately heir, of Ralph Prestwich, of that place, Esq. He married Isabel, daughter of Thomas Rigmaiden, of Wedacar, co. Lanc., Esq., and had issue. His Inquisition *post mortem* states that he died seised of the manor of Holme, and lands there and in Withenshaw, Manchester, Salford, Cromsall, Oldham, and Crompton.

[3] On the 6th of April, 6th Elizabeth [1564], William Bibby settled his lands in Manchester, by a deed of feoffment, which contains so many references to the Bibby family, and to other Manchester families, that it is worth quoting in full, as follows :—

"The true meaning of this my deed of feoffment is, that whereas I, William Bibby, have enfeoffed Richard Hunt, William Radclyffe, Adam Pilkynton and Robert Langley of Manchester, gentlemen, Francis Pendleton, George Birche, Stephen Beche, Myles Gilforde, William Hunt and Richard Adlyngton, of Manchester aforesaid, Thomas Byrche, of Byrch Hall, and Gilbert Bibby, of Salford, gentlemen, of and in all my messuages, lands, tenements &c. with the appurtenances in Manchester and Salford aforesaid, to the uses following, that is to wit, to the use of me the said William Bibby during my life. And after my decease, to the use of Edward Bibby, my brother, and the heirs of his body. And for default of such issue to the use of James Bibby, one other of my brothers, and the heirs of his body. And for default of such issue to the use of Robert Bibby, one of my brothers, and the heirs of his body. And for default of such issue to Margaret Bibby, my sister, and the heirs of her body. And for default of such issue to Jane Bibby, ohe other of my sisters and the heirs of her body. Remainder to William Williamson, son of James Williamson, of Salford and his heirs. Remainder to John Bibby, brother of the said Robert, and his heirs. Remainder to Edward Bibby, son of Gilbert Bibby, above named, and his heirs. Remainder to William Radclyffe, son of the above named William Radclyffe, and his heirs. Remainder to Richard Hunt, son and heir of the above named Richard Hunt. Remainder to Adam Pylkynton, son and heir of the above named Adam Pylkynton, and his heirs. Remainder to Edward Bridocke, son of Thomas Brydocke, and his heirs. Remainder to William Hunt and his heirs. Remainder to Richard Adlyngton and his heirs, Remainder to Margaret Pylkyngton and her heirs. Remainder to William Pylkyngton, son of Robert Pylkyngton, and his heirs. Remainder to Henry Pendleton, son and heir of ffrancis Pendylton, and his heirs. Remainder to Gilbert Gregory,

Also wee p'sente all those freeholders y^t^ owe sute to this courte & haue not appeared this day to be amcied in ij^s^ a peece & y^e^ Burgess^e^ in vj^d^.....In another handwriting:—an orde^r^ for non appa'ance at the Leete.

fforasmuche as wee are crediblie informed that there hathe bene dyus disorders in y^ls^ towne namely in vnlawfull gams vseid in y^e^ night tyme not onely throughe y^e^ negligence but also & especiallie by the Sufferance of wicked watchmen who have bene hyred or rather brybed w^th^ money of the Gamners & so pmitted them to vse ther vnlawfull gams all the night throughe at ther pleasure nether regardinge y^e^ Cõmoditie preservacõne & good gournem^te^ of y^e^ towne nor yet ther othe w^ch^ is most Lamentable Therfore y^e^ premiss^e^ considered and wayinge w^th^ our Selves what detrimente & hinderance may aryse by negligente & wicked watchmen for by Suche y^e^ towne in a momente may be vtterlye overthrowne & contrarywyse what cõmoditie and Safetie may Springe through vigilante & dilligent watchmen for by Such the towne shalbe w^t^hout danger pserved wee order that this be registred in y^e^ Leete booke to be redd at euy Leete from tyme to tyme therby to geve y^e^ constables admonicone and warninge y^t^ y^ei^ [that they] take dilligente heede in

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son and heir of John Gregory, and his heirs. Remainder to John Bradburne and the heirs of his body. And for default of such issue to the use of our Sovereign Lady Elizabeth, her heirs and successors for ever."

The property held by William Bibby, in Manchester, is thus described in a Latin deed, attached to the above, as follows (translated):—

"One messuage with a garden in Manchester, in a street called the Marketstydlane, now in the tenure of Thomas Brydocke and Isabel his wife, mother of me, the said William Bibby; one other messuage with orchard and garden in Manchester, in a street called Le Milnegate, in the tenure of Miles Gilford; one other messuage in Le Milnegate, in the tenure of George Lawe; one other messuage with a garden in Le Milnegate, in the tenure of Peter Shallcross; one other messuage with an orchard and garden in the tenure of James Broke; one barn in Manchester, in a certain street called Le Myllerslane, now in the tenure of the said Miles Gilford and Robert Boardman; one close of land near to the said barn, and one other close in Manchester, on the north side of a certain bridge, called Le Mylne bridge, between the water of Irke on the east and south part, and the King's way *(Regiam viam)* which leads from the said bridge to Chetham Hyll on the west and north part, and now in the tenure of the said Thomas Brydocke and Isabel his wife; and one other messuage with an orchard and garden and a barn in Salford, now in the tenure of Alice Bybby."

(Signed) "p' me WILLM BYBBIE."

"Seisin of the said premises was given on the 11th April in the above year, 1564, in the presence of Robert Marler, Richard Marshall, Robert Radclyffe, Richard Kylnor, Arthur Kyrshawe, and others."

allowinge y^e^ Watchmen And y^t^ they take none to y^e^ watche but such as are knowne to be honest discreete and Sober Men beinge able to yeld accompte of the Lyvinge favorers to vertue & enemies to vyce No ꝑsons of misbehavioure no Suspected ꝑsons no ꝑsons heretofore w^th^ brybes corrupted ner any Such Lyke And in so doinge god shalbe glorified y^e^ Quens mai^tes^ watche duly observed the towne in Safetie ꝑserved all vnlawfull gaīs repressed & good order maynteyned w^ch^ wee pray god grante & wish y^e^ same vnfaynedlye.

Also amongs all other disorders or rather wants in y^s^ [this] towne one ought chieflye to be looked vnto, that is whether the Statute for bow & arrows[1] be duly observed or No & wheth^r^ the Constables doe y^er^ duties in lookinge to y^e^ Same or No it is to be Suspected for a Man may come vpon Sundays & hollidays into Alpord[2] a place wher archers doe frequente yf any be abroade & he shall see but one companye of Archers or twoe at y^e^ moste wher as heretofore ther hath bene sometyms vj companies Sometymes viiij or more Therfore wee order that y^e^ seid cōstables shall goe throughout y^er^ Lymitts & doe y^er^ [their] duties accordinge & so often as y^e^ statute cōmandeth, & y^t^ they also make a note for eūy tyme y^t^ y^ei^ [they] doe goe abroade for that purpose w^th^ y^e^ hands of four or more honest men witteness^e^ to eūy note for y^r^ [their] dischardge & p^r^sente y^e^ Same seūall notes to y^e^ Jurors at the nexte Leete w^th^ the names of those that wante bowe & arrows or havinge bowes & arrows do not exceryse shootinge accordinge to y^e^ seid Statute vpon such payne & forfeture as is expressed in y^e^ same & y^e^ Jurors then for y^t^ tyme beinge to putt vpp y^e^ same p^r^sentm^te^ w^th^ y^e^ names of thinhabitants that be founde faultie in y^e^ same or ells the names of y^e^ seid Constables not doinge y^er^ duties in y^e^ seid statute & y^s^ [this] order lymited & by y^t^ meanes wee doubte not but Artillerie [the practice of archery] w^ch^ in this towne is wonderfullie decayed will in shorte tyme be renewed & bettered .....*non est factum ex p'te constabular.*[3]

Wheras also y^er^ [there] hath bene dyūs [divers] good orders as well for capps as other things heretofore made yet by reason y^t^ y^e^ officers are not sworne therto are not obs̄ved therfore wee requeste that aswell y^ei^ [they] as all other officers may be sworne to y^er^ [their] office & in so doinge many things wilbe well amended w^ch^ are now vnreformed.

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[1] See p. 55. [2] See p. 177.

[3] It is not done, on the part of the Constables. It may be presumed the Constables found the labour of going through the town very irksome, and so shirked it entirely.

The Jurie doth order y^{t} no Inhabitante wthin y^{is} towne shall take to y^{er} howse any inmake[1] [inmate] vnlesse y^{e} seid Inmaks be able to gett y^{er} Lyvinge wthout begginge vpon payne for everie one so often offendinge v^{s}

The Jurie dothe order that M^{r} Ranulphe winingeton[2] shall so repayre his howse adioyninge to Edward Hanson his howse that the Same be not noysome vnto y^{e} Seid Edwarde before y^{e} feaste day of S^{t} Michaell tharchangell nexte Sub pena x^{s}.....*factum est.*

The Jurie doth order that no inkep [innkeeper] Alehouse ner tiplinge howse wthin y^{is} towne shall not hensforth Sell any drincke or victuall at y^{e} tyme of devyne S^{r}vice or S^{r}mons vpon Sundays or holyedayes exepte to strangers or passingers & m̄kct days also exepted vpon payne of vj^{s} viij^{d} & thensforth to kepe no alehowse wthout furth̄) lycence vpon payne aforeseid for eu̇y tyme so offendinge.

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[1] This word in these Records is nearly always written *inmake*, and in connection with it Prof. Skeat writes me that "it confirms a contention I have long upheld that the modern English 'mate' is a mere corruption of the middle English 'make,' a mate, so common in old books and in Anglo-Saxon (A. S. *gemaca*), just as a 'bat' was called a 'bakke.'" (See also "mate" in Skeat's *Etymological Dictionary.*) The only other place where I have seen this spelling noticed is in the recently published Liverpool Municipal Records where the editor, Sir J. A. Picton, explains it in a manner which is quite untenable. An "inmate" was, legally, a person dwelling in the house of another and unable or unwilling to keep himself. By being allowed to remain in any town such lodgers encouraged pauperism, and persons so harbouring them were by the Statute of 31 Elizabeth to be presented at the Courts Leet and fined.

[2] This was most probably Randle Winnington, of Offerton, near Stockport, gent., who died about 1592. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Roger Fallows, of Chelford, co. Chester, and had issue. (See *East Cheshire*, ij., 108.)

Manchestr. [7th Oct., 1578.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu franc pleg tent ibm septimo Die Octobris A° regni Elizabeth &c. vicesimo [1578] cõra Ranulpho Hurleston ar̃ Scenescallo ibm.

Burrowreve	Roberte Langley[1]	
Catchpoll	William Reade, elder	
Constables	Raphe Proudluffe Richarde Mooretonne	Jur̃
Marketlokers for corne measures and weightes	Henrie Hardie Raphe Gee George Wirrall Otywell Blomeley	Jur̃
Myselayers	Willm Radclyffe Roberte Hardye John Byrche Thomas Goodyere	Jur̃
Myse gatherers	Raphe Jepsonne Richard Brucke	Jur̃
Scalers of Lether	Raphe Rodley Adam Rodley Bartholomew ffletcher	Jur̃
Marketlokers for whitmeate in y^e^ Marketstidlane	Adam Pendleton Nicholas worsley	Jur̃
Marketlokers for whitmeate in the Mylnegate	Hugh Marler Raphe Shacklocke	Jur̃
Marketlokers for whitmeate in the Deanesgate	John Grenehalgh willm ffisherboate alias Hilton	Jur̃

[1] It may here be noted that in Hollinworth's *Mancuniensis*, a MS. account of Manchester, written *c.* 1650, he states that in "anno 1578 there was a difference betweene the lord and the towne about the choice of the Burrough-reeve: the steward chose John Gee, but the towne chose Robert Langley." To neither of the names of Robert Langley or William Reade, the elder, catchpoll, is the word *Jur* appended, signifying that they had been sworn in. Possibly the steward refused to swear them in like the others.

Marketlokers for whitmeate in the Huntesbancke	Raphe Doane	Jur̃
Marketlokers for whitmeate in the withingreave	Roberte Holland Roberte Ouldam	Jur̃
Offycers for wholesome bread ...	Thomas Holte George Barlow	Jur̃
Alefounders	Thomas Sutheland (?) william Serocold	Jur̃
Birlamen for Marketstidlane ...	Henrie Pendleton Thom̃s Brounsword	Jur̃
Byrlamen for Deanesgate ...	John Gee James Rillston	Jur̃
Birlamē for withingreve and Hangingdich	Hughe Thorpe Raphe Byrche alias Orcharde	Jur̃
Birlamē for Mylnegate	Henry Adamson John Tildesley	Jur̃
Birlaman for the Huntesbancke...	Ewan Garlicke	Jur̃
Skevingers for Marketstidlane ...	Humprey haughton Willm Hunte	Jur̃
Skevingers for Deanesgate ...	Edward Sorocold James Glover	Jur̃
Skevingers for mylnegate & Todelane	Edmund Nugent Leonard Potter John leeze	Jur̃
Skevingers for hangingdiche and Mealegate	John Shaw Elis Marshall	Jur̃
Skevingers frō the ffenelstrete to the Schole	Rodger Bexwick Elis Costerden Phillippe Dalton	Jur̃
Skevingers for both the market-stids	Richard Tipping Nicholas Becke	Jur̃
Skevingers frō y^e^ Boothes to y^e^ Smythie doore	Willm hardie George Pendleton	Jur̃
Skeving^r^ for S^t^ Mary gate ...	Richard Adlington	Jur̃
Offycers for ffrutes	Thomas Wrighte Olyu̅ Mosse	Jur̃
Offycers to see thorders of Ales & weddings executed... ...	George Travisse Willm Hardie Henry Gee	Jur̃
Praysers	George Romsden W^m^ Reade elder	Jur̃

Afferors of the courte	Willm Radclyffe George Byrche Roberte hardie John Byrche	Jur.
Offycers to make cleane y^e^ Marketstid	Phillippe Bexwicke Richard Paynter	Jur.
Offycers to see hattes & cappes vsed on sondayes & holydayes[1]	James Smyth capp John Shawe	Jur.
Offycers for the Conducte [Conduit]	Thomas Aynesworth John Sympson	

Ad hanc curiã venit Ricus Leigh filius Thome Leigh de Highfielde, et iurat est Dño fecitque fidelitatẽ, et admissus est tenens p terr in ffernewurth et kersley et solv^t^ dño p a^m^ iij^d^ et solv^t^ p relevio vj^d^ Johi Gee deputat p Robto worsley Receptor, ad vsũ dñi huius manii.[2]

Ad hanc curiã venit Johes Gilliam filius et heres Jacobi Gilliam iurat est dño fecitque fidelitatẽ et admissus est tenens et reddit p Ann... ... ...[blank].

Hugo Gilliam alter heres p'fati Jacobi Gilliam iurat est dño fecitque fidelitatẽ p vno Burgag in marketstidlane et reddit dño inde p Ann... ... ...[blank.]

Jacobus Bibbie frater et heres willmi est iuratus dño fecitque fidelitatẽ.

Inquisico fuit capt p Sacrm	Wilhelmi Radclyffe gen Jur. Roberti Langley gen Jur. Humfridi Haughton Jur. Thome Becke Jur. Georgii Travisse Jur. Radi Proudelove Jur. Jacobi Rillston Jur. Johis Byrche Jur.	Jacobi Baguley Jur. Georgii Pendleton Jur. wilhelmi hardie Jur. Roberti hardie Jur. Rici Shalcrosse Jur. Radi Rodley Jur. Johis Glover Jur. henrici Adamson Jur.

Whereas there was an order made at y^e^ Leete Holden y^e^ xxx^th^ daye of September A° R. R^e^ Elizabeth decimo nono [1577][3] con-

[1] These were appointed as a result of the orders made by the Jury at the two previous Courts. (See p. 191 and p. 196.)

[2] To this Court came Richard Leigh, son of Thomas Leigh, of Highfield (see p. 194), and was sworn to the lord and did his fealty, and was admitted tenant for lands in Farnworth and Kersley, and pays to the lord per annum 3d., and pays for his relief 6d. to John Gee, deputy for Robert Worsley, receiver, to the use of the lord of this manor. [This note occurs at the bottom of a page, before the appointment of the officers of this Court, but should of right come after them.]

[3] See p. 190.

cerninge the assisse of Ale with a penaltye in the same order contayned to thintent as well to bringe those that do brue to sell in good order as allso that the penaltye and forfeture ỹ)of [thereof] might be distributed to y^e^ poore in Manchester as by y^e^ same order maye appeare not w^th^ standinge by whose meanes we knowe not the said order is wholly perverted and turned from y^e^ true and playne meaninge thereof. Therefore in Consideracõn that y^e^ same order made by the Jurors then beinge for a godly intent is wholly altered and neither y^e^ ale howses in better order nor the poore releeved for whose cause the same order was made, we order that the same order made at y^e^ said Leete holden the daye and yeare above said shalbe from hencefurth frustrate voyde and of none effecte.

And the alehowses to stande concerninge the Amerciaments to y^e^ discretione of y^e^ affayrers of y^e^ courte for the tyme beinge Acordinge as y^e^ auncient custome of this courte requireth.

Allso we order that every persone or ꝑsones shall from hencefurthe weare capps vpon y^e^ Sabaoth daye acordinge to the statutes in that cause provided[1] vpon payne of suche forfeture as in the same Statute is contayned and we make officers for to see the same executed John Shawe and James Smithe.....*non est factum.*

The Jury do presente that George proudlove is departed since y^e^ last courte and that George Proudlove is his Sonne and heire and is of lawefull age & to do his service.

The Jurye doth presente that John Haughton[2] is depted since y^e^ last courte and Raphe Haughton is his sonne and heire and vnder age.

The Jurye doth order that no man nor woman shall stande w^th^ any turnipps, beesomes, or straye [straw] hatts, no higher in y^e^ streete then nowe the dwellinge howse of Edward Cuncliffe.

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[1] See p. 155 and p. 185.

[2] John Haughton, of Manchester, draper, made his will 11th August, 1577, proved at Chester 1578, the inventory being dated 9th July, 1578. This will is not now to be found at Chester, but a copy of it exists in *Harl. MS.* 2067, f. 278. He mentions his wife Joan, his children, Ralph, Anne, and Elizabeth, and makes his wife and his brother Humphrey Haughton his executors. The inventory of his goods, taken by George Travis, Robert Hardye, Ottewell Dodge, and John Leys, amounted to £1,059 17s. 9d., a large sum in those days. In the inventory there is a long list of the debts due to him, which contains many names of interest. The following are dignified by the title of "M^r^": Mr. Richard Massy, Mr. John Nowell, Mr. Francis Fletcher, Mr. Philip Worth, Mr. Richard Hunt, Mr. George Lathum, Mr. Edmund Chatterton, Mr. Brownesworde, Mr. Newton, Mr. Hyde of Wigan, Mr. Hardyn [? Hardye], Mr. John Gregorie, Mr. Willson of Smedley mylne, Mr. Marmaduke Newton, Mr. Peter Warren, Mr. Gifford, Mr. Ashton of Shepley, Mr. Cookesey, and Mr. Hollinworthe. The Earl of Derby, "Comes Darbie," owed him £42 13s. 2d., and "y^e^ Lord Strange and Raffe Sorocolde," bracketed together, owed him £4 12s. There are eighty-eight names in all.

And that none stande with suche thinges anenst y^e^ shopps of Richarde Gillot within the Severall[1] sub pena every tyme so offendinge xij^d^

The Jury doth order y^t^ where an olde course of water dothe come from Henrye Gee his howse to y^e^ backeside of Hughe Oldame his howse and so vnder y^e^ howse late in the occupac̃on of Richarde Greenehaughe [he] shall suffer y^e^ same course of water to go from tyme to tyme acordinge as it hath done heretofore sub pena...iij^s^ iiij^d^

The Jurye doth order y^t^ whereas there hath bene diuerse and good orders heretofore made concerninge evill orders vsed in y^e^ night tyme we order that y^e^ same shall stand and be of force and we confirme and ratifye y^e^ same.

The Jurye dothe order that y^e^ constables for this last yeare past shall make there acompte to y^e^ constables nowe beinge and y^e^ Miselayers beinge nowe chosen of all suche Sommes of moneye remayninge in there handes whiche have bene levyed of y^e^ towne in there tyme and y^e^ overplus in there hands to be Delivered to y^e^ said constables nowe beinge and y^e^ same to be done within this xiiij^th^ dayes sub pena xx^s^ to the lorde.

And that every constable hereafter shall make the like acount and deliver either to y^e^ Jurye for the tyme beinge or ells [to] the nexte constables succedinge them within the like dayes and vpon the like payne And allso to be aunswereable for the acompte over and beside the said payne of xx^s^[2]

The Jurye dothe order that no maner of person or persones whatsoever hereafter shall bringe to y^e^ Cundithe any kinde of vessell of greater valewe [size or capacity] then one woman is able to beare full of water and but one of every howse at one tyme and to have there cale [call] as hathe bene acustomed Willm Radcliffe gen^t^ one[ly] excepted sub pœna every tyme so offendinge v^s^

Officers to se[e] this order executed Thomas Aynseworthe John Sympson.

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[1] A "several" was an enclosed piece of land, and is generally used to distinguish an enclosed field from open common. It is used by Shakespear, and in Tusser's *Husbandry*, &c.

[2] On a blank page in this volume (see *postea*) there is a memorandum under the year 1578 that Richard Tipping and Thomas Ainsworth, the two Constables for the previous year, 1577, had made their accounts to Ralph Proudlove and Richard Moreton, their succcssors.

Manchester. [23rd April, 1579.]

Curia cu[m] Visu franc pleg tent ibm die Jovis videt xxiij° die Aprilis Anno regni dñe Elizabeth dei gra, Anglie ffrauncie et hibnie regine fidei defensor &c. vicesimo primo [1579] cora Ranulpho Hurleston ar Scenescallo ibm.

Inquisico fuit capt p Sarm	Wilhelmi Radcliffe		Roberti Rodley	
	Richardi Hunte		Johis Gloverr	
	Georgii birche		Georgii Travys	
	Johis Byrche		Thome Goodyere	
	Edwardi Hanson	Jur	Henrici Adamson	Jur
	Roberti Hardye		Radi Rodley	
	Roberti Sidall		Jacobi Lancashyre	
	Thome Byrome		Roberti Cloughe	
	Anthonii Mossley		Ranulphi Massie	

The Jurye doth presente, that Jamys Rillston[1] ys depted synce the last courte, and Edwarde Rillston, is his sonne & heire and vnder age.

[1] James Rillston was returned heir to his brother Edward, at the Court Leet held 6th April, 1564 (see p. 85). He left four sons, Edward (his son and heir), James, Thomas, and George, and five daughters, Margaret, Anne, Joan, Elizabeth, and Ciceley, all apparently under age. The two former became clergymen, Edward Rillston being M.A. and Fellow of Brasenose College, Oxford, afterwards B.D. and Vice Principal of his College, and died there *c.* 1624-5, without issue; and James, in 1626, being described as of St. Breocke, near Wade, co. Cornwall, clerk. Thomas Rillston, who became a citizen and grocer in London, married Anne, the eldest daughter of Richard Tipping, of Manchester, linen draper, and died before 1630, leaving issue. Edward Rillston matriculated at Brasenose College 20th July, 1578, then aged 16; and his brother James matriculated there, aged 14, on 9th November, 1579. The will of James Rillston, the father, dated 14th November, 1578, was proved at Chester 22nd December, 1578, and in it he describes himself as of Manchester, "cotton man," and desires to be buried in the parish church. He specifies all the leases he possessed, and refers to the "houses, shoppes, chambers, and warehouses" beneath Peter Barlowe's house in the Deansgate, which he held. He desired his loving cousins, George Birch, of Manchester, mercer, and George Hunt, of the City of London, haberdasher, to be overseers of his will. There is a long list of the debts due to the testator, from which it appears that he sent "packs" of "cottons" to his cousin George Hunt in London, each pack being worth £11 11s. He had lent Thomas Gorelt £4, "and I have rekned with him for $\frac{xx}{ix}$ viij pieces (*i e.*, 188 pieces) walkinge and have paid him this iiij[l] in parte of paimente and the rest I owe him is apparante in my debte book. and more I owe him since for walkinge as doth appeare in my debte book." "Walking" was the old name for fulling cloth, and it appears that each piece of cloth cost 6d. for walking or fulling.

The Jurye doth presente that Robte Oldham ys dcpted synce y^e^ last courte & Adam Oldham ys his sonne and heyre, & at lawfull age & ys to doe his sute & service, ꝑd Adamus venit ad hanc curiã, et Jur̃ est dño, fecitq̃ fidelitatẽ, et solv^t^ ꝑ relevio viij^s^ x^d^ ante hanc cur̃ Johanni Gee.

The Jurye dothe prẽnte [present] George Wyrrall to have purchased certayne lands of S^r^ Edmonde Trafforde, knight and ys to do his Sute and service for y^e^ same Jur̃ est dño fecitq̃ fidelitat̃ et reddit ꝑ annũ xij^d^ Dño la war.

The Jurye dothe prẽnte Nicholas Becke is to do his sute and service for one Burgage in y^e^ marketsteade w^ch^ he had from his mother[1] et reddit ꝑ annũ xvj^d^ Jur̃ est dño fecitq̃ fidelitat̃ apud hanc cur̃.

The Jurye dothe prẽnt that George Proudlove is to do his sute and service acordinge to a prẽntment [presentment] at the last Leete et reddit ꝑ annũ viij^s^ ix^d^ et solvit Joh̃i ꝑ relevio viij^s^ vj^d^ et dedit Dño pugionẽ prĩs Jur̃ est dño fecitq̃ fidelitat̃.[2]

The Jurye dothe prẽnt that Robt Glov^r^ ys of lawefull age and ys to do his sute and service for halfe a burgage in the milnegate et reddit ꝑ annũ iiij^d^ Jur̃ est dño fecitq̃ fidelitat̃.

The Jurye do order that the Constables for this tyme beinge shall go to every housholde within this tyme betweene this and y^e^ next Leete and then and there prẽnt the names of all suche as are of the age of xij yeares or above and are not sworne to the Queene Sub pœna either of them vj^s^ viij^d^

The Jurye doth allso order y^t^ vpon suche warninge every housholder bringe suche men children as are of the saide age and not sworne vnto the saide Leete courte And there not depart till they be swoorne vpon payne of every housholder so offendinge xij^d^

The Jurye by the advise and consent of the right w^r^shipfull Ranulphe Hurleston esquire Steward of this towne do order that all and every the housholders w^th^in this towne from hencefurthe at everye Leete geve attendaunce and appeare at the Leete by Nyne of the clocke in the forenoone and from thence not depart without speciall licence till suche tyme as the chardge be geven and ended vpon payne of every one so offendinge iiij^d^

[1] His mother was Anne Becke, the widow of Thomas Beck, of Manchester. (See p. 144.) Her will, dated 17th June, 1578, was proved at Chester 10th February, 1578-9.

[2] And pays per annum 8s. 9d., and he paid to the said John [Gee] for relief 8s. 6d., and gave to the lord his father's dagger. He was sworn to the lord and did his fealty.

The Jurye do order that Edmonde Blomeley or his assignes shall from tyme to tyme keepe and suffer the water course in and vpon his backe side cominge from the backe syde of hughe Ouldames howse to have his full course sub pœna for everye tyme so offendinge vj^{s} viij^{d}.....*non est factum.*

The Jury doth order that w^{m} Linleye shall from the olde auncyent quicke woode standinge in the Eeast end of his gardyn hedge to the greene quicke woode beneathe the apple tree towards the churche yard set his hedge straight where now he hathe encroched without the apple tree before the feast daye of Penticost next sub pœna ij^{s}.....*factum est.*

where as there was at the Last Leete one order made concerninge hatts and capps[1] we do confirme and ratifye the same and require that the officers then made maye be sworne.

The Jurye dothe order that whereas there ys great abuse in a game vsed in the towne called gede gadye or the catts pallet[2] that no maner pson shall playe at the same game beinge above the age of xij yeares vpon payne of everye pson so playinge to be imprisoned in the dongeon[3] for the space of ij howres and every parents or maysters of suche psons so playinge havinge warninge of there children or servaunts so doinge for every tyme so servinge them after warninge geven iiij^{d}

This order ys made because diverse of the inhabitants do find them greeved that there children be hurte and in daunger to be hurte.

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[1] See p. 201.

[2] The game called "giddy-gaddy, or the cat's pallet," is what is now known as "tip cat," in which a small piece of wood, pointed at each end, is laid on the ground, struck on one end to make it rise from the ground, and then again struck very hard as it rises, so as to drive it as great a distance as possible. As far as can be ascertained, it is only in these Records that the curious name of "giddy-gaddy" is applied to this game, and it is possible that it may have been a local term, now fallen into disuse. "Cat's-pallet" is mentioned in the *British Bellman* in 1648, and the names "cat" and "catty" are referred to in the *Lancashire Glossary* as a game still played in Lancashire. Mr. H. T. Crofton has pointed out that "catty" is philologically the same as "gaddy," and that "giddy-gaddy" is probably only another instance of re-duplication such as "nick-nack," "zig-zag," "gibble-gabble," and others (see *Manchester Guardian Notes and Queries*, No. 1,249, 12th March, 1877). Tip-cat is a game which is known over a very wide area, and it is not unfrequently mentioned by old writers (see *Notes and Queries* (London) 1883). It is, however, a dangerous game in crowded thoroughfares, and it is now illegal to play it in the streets of towns.

[3] The dungeon was situated on Salford Bridge, on the site of a chapel there, which fell into ruin after the Reformation.

The Jurye do order that the wiffe of Ellys halle or any other tenannt dwellinge in the same howse shall so kepe the privy at the end of the Boothes dore that yt be not noysome to passers by and the same to be done before the fifte of Maye next and so kept from tyme to tyme sub pœna every tyme iij^{s} iiij^{d}.....*factum est.*

The Jury dothe desire M^{r} Steward and y^{e} constables that they would take some good order for the severe punishment of commen drunkards vnlawfull Bowlers and other vnlawefull gamners because that there is no prẽntment [presentment] put vpon vnto vs whiche[1] appertayneth onely to the Constables and ys parte of there chardge.

Every ale house keeper kepinge ale to sell without Licence to forfayt x^{s} And for every weeke that they shall keepe Ale howse hereafter without Licence to forfayt ij^{s} vj^{d}. this order was made by mayster Steward. [These lines are crossed out.]

[1] See p. 2, note 1.

Manchester. [30th Sept., 1579.]

Curia cu[m] Visu franc pleg tent ibm die Mercurii vidz tricesimo die Septembris, Anno Regni dñe Elizabeth dei gra, Anglie ffrancie et hibnie Regine fidei defensor &c xxj° [1579] cora Ranulpho Hurleston armigero Scen^lo ibm.

Inquisico capt p Sacr[m]	Humfridi haughton	Roberti hardy	Jur
	Roberti Langlye	Thome Goodyere	
	Georgii Travis	Edwardi Hanson	
	Georgij Birche	Adami Ouldame	
	Johis Birche	Robti Cloughe	
	Jacobi Baguley	Radi Rodley	
	Wilhelmi Hardie	Ranulphi Massye	
		Georgii wyrrall	

NOIA OFFIC VILLE DE MANCHESTER APUD CUR IBM XXX° DIE SEPTEMBRIS 1579 ET A°. R RNE ELIZABETH &c. VICESIMO PRIMO.

Burrowe Reeve	Thomas Goodyeare Jur
Catchpolle	willm Read senior Jur
Constables	Thomas Brownesworth Jur Raphe Sorocoulde Jur
Market lookers for corne ...	John Billinge Jur willm Barlowe Jur Richard Thorpe Jur Raphe Birche als orchard Jur
Market looker for fishe and for fleshe	John wharmbye Jur Thomas Hilton Jur
Myse layers	Robert Langley George Birche Jur
Myse gatherers	Edwarde Cuncliffe Jur James Ratliffe Jur
Sealers of leather	Otiwell Johnson Jur John Simpson Jur Hughe Batersby Jur

Market lookers for whit meate in y^e^ m̄ketstead lane	Ric̄ Brooke Jur̄ Robert Cloughe Jur̄
Market lookers for whitmeate in y^e^ milnegate	Henry Adamson Jur̄ George Bibbye Jur̄
Market lookers for whitmeate in y^e^ Deansgate	Robert ffarington Jur̄ John Morresse Jur̄
Market lookers for whitmeate in the huntesbanke	Van Garlike Jur̄
Market lookers for whitmeate in the withingreave	Robart Platte Jur̄ Thomas Scofeilde Jur̄
Officers for wholesome breade ...	John Cowpe Jur̄ George Kenerike Jur̄
Ale founders	Christophers *(sic)* Downes Jur̄ Ric̄ Galley Jur̄
Birlamen for the m̄ket stead lane	Humfray Haughton Jur̄ wiłłm Hunte Jur̄
Birlamen for Deansgate and S^t^ Mary gate	John Postles Jur̄ John Greenehaghe Jur̄
Birlamen for withingreave and hanginge diche	Raphe Anderton Jur̄ Adam Howpe Jur̄
Birlamen for Milnegate	wiłłm Sorocoulde Jur̄ Otiwell Blomeley Jur̄
Birlamen for the huntes banke	Rauffe Bordman Jur̄
Skevingers for the m̄ket stead lane	Henry Pendleton Jur̄ Ric̄ Brownsworde Jur̄
Skevingers for the deansgate ...	Anthony Sheparde John Gee
Skevingers for y^e^ milnegate and Tode lane	George Doson Jur̄ John Clegge Rauffe Chourton Jur̄
Skevingers for hanginge diche and meale gate	George wyrrall Jur̄ Thomas Chourton Jur̄
Skevingers from the fenell streete to y^e^ schole howse	Rauffe Rodley Jur̄ hughe Thorpe Jur̄ Ellis Costerdyne Jur̄
Skevingers for both the m̄ket-steadds	John Ratdcliffe Jur̄ Henry wyrrall Jur̄
Skevingers from the boothes to the Smithy dore	George Pendleton wiłłm Hardey
Skevingers for S^t^ Mary gate ...	George Chourton Jur̄
Officers for frutes	Thomas wright Jur̄ George Romsden Jur̄

Officers for seinge y^e^ orders for Ales and weddings executed...	willm Hardey Christopher graunt
Praisers	willm Reade senior Jur George Romsden Jur
Afferors of the court	George Birche Jur Edward hanson Jur henry Pendleton Jur henry Gee Jur
Officers for makinge cleane y^e^ marketstidds	Ric Paynter Jur Phillippe Bexwicke Jur
Officers for seeinge capps used on Sondayes and holy dayes...	[Blank in original.]

The Jury doth psent that Edmunde Blomeley nor his assignes have not suffered y^e^ water to have his course from y^e^ backeside of the house of Hughe Ouldame acordinge to an order heretofore made for y^e^ w^ch^ we prẽnt him *in mia* ... ... vj^s^ viij^d^

And further y^e^ Jury dothe order that the saide Edmunde Blomeley and his assignes shall suffer the said water to have his course acordinge to the same order and the same to be done w^t^hin these x^en^ Dayes and so kept from tyme to tyme sub pena for every tyme x^s^.....*non est factum.*

The Jury dothe order that George Hoult, Ric Cloughe Robert Marler, w^m^ Griffin or any other w^ch^ do dwell or hereafter shall dwell or occupy [*i.e.*, use] the Dunghill or [the] dwellinge house, wherein John Cloughe depted did dwell that they and every of them shall swepe and make cleane y^e^ streete against there howses wherein they now dwell to y^e^ church wall both he and they that shall occupy y^e^ Donghill as allso they that dwell in the howses and so kepe the streete cleane from tyme to tyme even hard to y^e^ wall sub pena they and every of them that so occupy y^e^ said howses or dunghill ... xij^d^ [In the margin :—Church walle].

The Jury dothe order that Thomas Cuncliffe shall take downe his buildinge that he hath builded betwixt his howse he now dwelleth in and the boothes or ells kepe the same so as yt shall not hurte the wall there, nor be any decay to the howse and the same to be done before the feast of S^t^ Andrew thapostle [Nov. 30] next sub pena iij^s^ iiij^d^.....*factum est.*

Manchester. [7th April, 1580.]

Cur cu[m] Visu franc pleg honorabil viri willmi west milit dñi la warre dñi de Manchester Manñii sui ibm, tent apud Manchester vij° die Aprit Anno Regni dñe Elizabeth dei gra, Anglie ffrancie et hibnie Regine fidei defensor &c vicesimo secundo [1580] Cora Ranulpho Hurleston ar Scen^le ibm.[1]

Inquisico fuit capt p Sacr(m)	Johnis Radcliffe	Jur	Richardi Awynne	Jur
	Georgii Proudluffe		Johis Gloverr	
	Johis Byrche		Roberti Cloughe	
	Nicholai Becke		Henrici Adamson	
	Roberti Hardie		Adami Ouldam	
	Henrici Pendleton		Roberti Siddall	
	Richardi Platte		Radulphi Rodley	
	Rici Shalcrosse			

The Jurye doth presente that Hughe Travys[2] sonne of Hughe Travis decessed, ys of lawefull age, and ys to come in at the nexte courte, and doe his svyce sub pena vj^s viij^d.....*non est factum.*

The Jurye doth also psente that James Chethm[3] brother and heyre vnto Henrie Chethm decessed to be of lawefull age and ys to come in at the nexte courte, and doe his sute, and Service sub pena vj^s viij^d.....*non est factum.*

The Jurye doth order that euye halfe hoope and pecke measure for corne shalbe made in value equall to the hoope accordinge to his quantitye, and the same to be done on this syde and before the

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[1] Court, with View of Frank Pledge, of the Honourable Sir William West, Knt., Lord la Warre, lord of Manchester, of his manor there, held at Manchester the 7th day of April, in the year of the reign of the Lady Elizabeth, by the grace of God, of England, France, and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c., the 22nd [1580], before Randle Hurlestone, Esq., Steward there.

[2] Probably the son of the Hugh Travis mentioned on p. 44 as the second husband of Anne Trafford, one of the sisters and co-heirs of Ralph Trafford, of the Garrett, Esq.

[3] See p. 183.

feaste daye of Pentecost nexte sub pena for euye tyme so offendinge xij^{d}, And that y^{e} marketlokers for the tyme beinge shall see the same Duelye executed vppon the lyke payne of xij^{d}.

Whereas dyuse good orders haue heretofore bene made by the Jurors concerninge disorders in the alehowses, aswell in vnlawefull gamnyngs as otherwise, And also for the ꝑhibitinge the sale, or vtteringe of dryncke and victualls at the tyme of Devyne servyce vppon Sondayes & hollydayes savinge to passingers, and also for drunkerds to be punished in the Donngeon.[1] The Jurye doth order That the same seuall [several] orders, and the seuall paynes in the same orders lymited shall stande in effecte, and doe Ratifye and establyshe y^{e} same orders, by these pñts [presents].

Whereas Richarde ffox dothe paye yearelye to the lorde vj^{s} viij^{d} for A Comon Oven,[2] The Jurye dothe Request all lovinge neighbours to come and bake wth the saide Richarde ffoxe he bakinge theire breade and other theire necessaryes duelye as he oughte to doe.

The Jurye doth pñte [present] that Edmunde Blomeley nor his assignes haue not suffred the Water to haue his course from y^{e} backsyde of the Howse of Hughe Oulꝺm accordinge to an order heretofore made *ideo in miā* x^{s}

And further the Jurye doth order, that the saide Edmunde Blomeley and his assignes shall suffer the saide water to haue his course accordinge to the same order, and the same to be done before Maye daye nexte, and so kepte from tyme to tyme sub pena for euye tyme xiij^{s} iiij^{d}.....*non est factum.*

The Jurye doth order that Alys the wiffe of George Bolton widowe shall kepe her Doungehill in the Hanging dyche so that the same be not hurtefull to the passers by, And the same to be done betwene this and Mydsom nexte sub pena xij^{d}.....*factum est.*

The Jurye doth order that Willm Radcliffe ꝯ [gent] Thoms becke ꝯ George Byrche and Roger Bexwicke or theire assignes shall kepe cleane the Gutter betwixte Websters corn [corner] and the two gutters or chanells comynge downe frō George Byrche Rodger Bexwicke and Thomas Becke and so to the Boothes, and the same to be done betwixte this and Maye daye, and so kepte from tyme to tyme sub pena euye tyme and to eche of them xij^{d}.....*non est factum.*

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[1] See p. 161. [2] See p. 55.

The Jurye doth order by the consente of Richarde Shalcrosse that henceffurthe there shalbe no myddinge made betwene his Tau̅ne [Tavern] wyndowe and George Proudluffe his lande And that no man̅ pson or psons throwe any dust dounge or suche lyke to the same place, eyther downe the hanginge bridge or any other waye sub pena eu̅ye tyme for eu̅ye one so offendinge ij^{s}.....*non est factum.*

The Jurye doth order that all those orders aswell for Weddings and ales, as all other good orders heretofore made shalbe and Remayne in full fforce, And wee the Jurors doe Request M^{r} Stewarde and the Constables and other offycers to be carefull for the same in seinge the same executed.

The Jurye doth presente S^{r} william Boothe knighte[1] to be dep̅ted synce the last courte, and hys sonne and heyre whose name wee knowe not ys vnder age, and what lands he houldeth of the lord we knowe not.

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[1] Sir William Booth, Knt., was the son and heir of George Booth, of Dunham, co. Chester, Esq., by his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Edmund Trafford, of Trafford, Knt. He was born in 1540, and succeeded to his father's estates on the death of the latter in 1543. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Sir John Warburton, of Arley, co. Chester, Knt., by whom he had seven sons and six daughters. He was High Sheriff of Cheshire in 1571, and was knighted in 1578. He died 28th November, 1579, and was buried at Bowdon on 8th December, aged 39 years. His son and heir was George Booth, who was created a Baronet in 1611. Sir William Booth's will, dated 25th November, 1579, and proved at Chester, 10th December in that year, has been printed by the Chetham Society (*Lanc. & Ches. Wills*, ij., 65). It contains some interesting entries. To his wife he bequeathed "the chaine of golde which I brought with me last from London weighing about xxx^{li} [30 pounds], and one other small chaine, one carcanett of gold, one paire of braseletts of gold, two sutes of borders of gold, and one single border of gold, with all the ringes she was accustomed to weyre and certen small buttons of golde enameled black and white." To William Duncalf he gave "my cast of ffawcons, my baie trottinge nagge, and my settinge spaniell." To his brother-in-law, Randle Davenport, of Henbury, near Macclesfield, Esq., he left "all my houndes," and to other friends "all my fightinge cocks and hennes." He also bequeaths his "lute" and his "best paire of virginalls," showing that his taste did not altogether run on out-door sports.

Manchester. [5th Oct., 1580.]

Cur cu[m] Visu franc pleg honorabil viri Willmi West milit dñi la warre dñi de mancester, tent ibm die Martis vidz Quinto die Octobris Anno Regni dñe Elizabeth dei gra Anglie ffrauncie et hibnie Regine fidei defensor &c vicesimo secundo [1580].

Inquisico fuit captū p Sacrm	Georgius Pendleton	Juf	Jacobus Baguley	Juf
	Ricus Hunt		Robtus Cloughe	
	Johes Radclyffe		Johes Glover	
	Georgius Travisse		Robtus Siddall	
	Johes Gee		Robtus Hardey	
	Nichus Becke		Jacobus Lancashire	
	Ricus Shalcrosse		Adamus Ouldame	
	Edwardus Hanson		Robetus Rodley	

NŌIA OFFICIAR VILLE DE MANCESTER.

Burrow Reve	Henrye Gee Juf	
Cachpolle	George marshall Juf	
Constables	Thomas Goodyeare Edwarde Hansonne	Juf
Marketlokers for corne	xpofer Downes Juf John Wharmbie Juf Richarde Brucke Juf willm Cunclyffe Juf	
Marketlokers for ffishe and fleshe	Henrie wharmbie James wossencrofte Juf	
Mise layers	John Radclyffe Juf Nicholas Becke Juf George Pendleton Juf John Byrche	
Mise gatherers	Adame Hoape Juf Robte Siddalle Juf	
Sealers of Lether	Adame Rodley Juf George Dawson Juf Roberte Harteley Juf	

Marketlokers for whitmeate in the marketstide lane	Nicholas Worsleye Jur Adame Pendleton Jur
Marketlokers for whitmeate in the Milnegate	Hughe Marler Jur Richarde kylner Jur
Marketlokers for whitmeate in the Deanesgate	Thomas Jeffreyson Jur willm ffitzharberte Jur
Marketlokers for whitmeate in the huntesbancke	Raphe Downe Jur
Marketlokers for whitmeate in the Withingreave	ffrauncis Houghe Jur James Grenehalghe Jur
Officers for holesom breade ...	Richarde Moretonn Thomas kelley Jur
Alle ffounders	John Asheton Jur Thomas Harrison cutler Jur
Birlamen for marketstidlane ...	Robert Cloughe Jur Thomas Batson
Birlamen for deynsgate and S^{t} maryegate	Robert Byrche Jur Edwarde Sorowcolde Jur
Birlamen for wthingreve and Hangingdiche	Hughe Thorpe Jur John Reddiche Jur
Birlamen for milnegate	John Tildesley Edmonde Nugent
Birlamen for Huntesbancke ...	Charles Duckette Jur
Skevingers for marketstidelane...	Robert Cloughe Jur John Brucke
Skevingers for Deanesegate ...	Edmonde Leeze shereman Jur John Cowpe Jur
Skevingers for mylnegate and Todlane	John Leeze Jur Leonarde Potter Jur willm Barlowe Jur
Skevingers for hangingdiche and mealegate	John Sympson Jur John Tetlowe Jur
Skevingers from ffenelstreete to the Scholehowse	Raphe Anderton Jur Bartilmewe ffletcher Jur Otywell Johnson Jur
Skevingers for bothe the market-stids	Nicholas Mosse Jur Richarde Thorpe Jur Raffe Gee Jur
Skevingers from the Boothe to the smythie dore	Thomas Aynesworthe Jur George Byrche
Skevingers for S^{t} mariegate ...	Willm Strenghfellowe Willm Harrysonn Jur

Officers for fruts...	Thomas wright Jur̃ Olyver mosse Jur̃
Officers for the Ales & Weddings	John Dowson John Clegge
Praysers	George Romsdeyne Jur̃ willm Reade thelder Jur̃
Officers for makinge cleane the marketstids	Phillippe Bexwicke Jur̃ John Siddalle Jur̃
Officers for seinge the statute for wearinge hattes on Sondaies & hollydaies, executed	[Blank in original.]
Afferers of the Court	Georg̃ Travis Jur̃ Roberte Hardey Jur̃ Humfrey Haughton Jur̃ Richarde Hunte Jur̃

The Jurie dothe fynde that Robte Barton esquier[1] is depted since the last court and M[r] Rauffe Barton is his heire and of lawefull age & is to doe his sute and s̃vice.

The Jurie dothe fynde that Edwarde Allyn[2] ys depted synce y[e] last court, And that Henrye Allyn ys his Brother & heyre and hathe come in and ys to doe his sute and s̃vice.

Itm the Jurie dothe fynde that Rauffe Proudlowe ys depted synce the last court & that Rauffe Proudlowe ys his sonne and heire and vnder age.

The Jurie dothe p̃nte that Edmonde Blomeleye nor his assignes haue not sufferede the water to haue his course from the backeside of the howse of Hughe Ouldhame accordinge to an order heareto-fore made, *ideo in mia* xiij[s] iiij[d]

And ffurther the Jurie dothe order that the saide Edmond Blomelye & his assignes shall suffer the saide water to haue his course accordinge to the same order, and the same to be donne before the first daie of November next comynge and so kept from tyme to tyme sub pena for eu̇ye tyme so offendinge xx[s]

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[1] Robert Barton, of Smithills, Esq., was the son and heir of Andrew Barton, of Smithills, Esq. He married Margery, daughter of Sir Piers Legh, of Lyme, co. Chester, Knt., but had no issue. His will dated 26th October, 1570, with a codicil dated 10th June, 1580, has been printed by the Chetham Society (new series, vol. iij., p. 39). His widow married for her second husband Richard Shuttleworth, Esq., Chief Justice of Chester. Mr. Robert Barton was succeeded by his brother Mr. Ralph Barton, named in the text.

[2] Edward Allen was returned as the heir of Edward Janney, of Manchester, at the Court held 6th October, 1568, when he was of full age. (See p. 121.)

The Jurie dothe order that A Rayle shalbe made and set, vppon the ꝑper costs and chargs of John Hulton gent, anendst the house of Robt Leigh in the churche Yarde syde, and so to contynewe vpon payne to hym that pullethe the same downe, or that dryvethe or leadethe horses to the hurt of the same Rayle ij^{s} vj^{d}

Wheareas there was an order set downe at y^{e} laste Leete y^{t} eu̅ye halffe hoope and pecke measure for corne should be made in valeue equall to the hoope accordinge to theire quantitye, Notwthstanding the same order complaynte ys made vnto vs that the same ys not ꝑformed, Thearefore wee doe order y^{t} the same shalbe made accordinglie by the marketlokers on thisside & before the feast daie of all Sainctes [Nov. 1] next comynge sub pena ij^{s}.....*factum est.*

And y^{t} none other measure shalbe allowed, but suche as y^{e} [they] make and seale accordinglie, sub pena for eu̅ie one y^{t} keapes y^{e} same iij^{s} iiij^{d}

The Jurie dothe order y^{t} Raphe Anderton shall heareaft^{r} kepe his privie adioyninge to the wiffe of John Bowkers house so that the same be not noysome in any man̅ & so kept from tyme to tyme sub pena ij^{s}

The Jurie dothe order y^{t} Robt Blomelye shall heareaft^{r} from tyme to tyme kepe his swyne coat in shuche order y^{t} y^{e} same do not Rote [rot] nor impayre the walle of hughe Ouldame his howse sub pen̅ ij^{s}

The Jurie dothe order y^{t} Thomas massie shall carie awaye the donnge in M^{r} Thomas Traffords[1] court, anendst the beare house[2] there on thisside and before the feast daie of All soules [Nov. 2] next sub pen̅ iij^{s} iiij^{d}

The Jurie dothe Ratiffye and establishe by theise prẽnts [presents] all good orders by theire ꝑdecessours hearetofore made.

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[1] See p. 192.

[2] It is most probable that this is intended for "bier-house," a house adjoining the churchyard, where the bier was kept. Although bears were at this time and later baited by dogs, it is not likely that any were kept permanently in Manchester.

Manchester [30th March, 1581.]

Cur cu[m] Visu franc pleg tent ibm xxx° die Martij A° Regni Dñe Elizabeth dei gr̃a Anglie ffrauncie et hib̃nie Regine fidei Defensor &c. xxiij° [1581].

Inq̄ capt̄ p Sacr[m]	Johis Radcliffe	John byrche
	Thome Becke	Roberti Cloughe
	Georgii Proudlouffe	Jacobi Lancashier
	Richardi Shallcrosse	Johes Sympsonn
	Richardi Awin	Radii Birche at̄ orchard
	Rodgeri Bexwicke	Adami Ouldam
	Georgii Worrall	Henrici Adamsonn

Georguis Pendilton de Manchester drap̄ q̄ versus Stephanū Browne de ead̄ yomā in plito debi viij^{s} quos &c p̄vt &c Et petit &c Et p̄cept est ball̄i quod sumon̄ p̄d Stephanū essendi hic ad hanc Cur̄ let̄ &c[1] [in another hand: wee ffynd this dette].

Johes Byrche de Manchester occupier q̄ versus Ranulphū Massie de ead̄ Clothier in plito debi xxv^{s} quos &c p̄vt &c Et petit &c Et p̄cept est ball̄i quod sumon̄ &c p̄tes concordati sūt^{2}. [crossed out]

The Jurie dothe p̄sent y^{t} Raphe Partentonn is come into this court and hathe knowledged himselfe to haue by covenanc̄ and dedes by his Counsell learned in y^{e} lawes to haue conveyed to his sonne John Partingtonn all his launds in manchester therfore y^{e} sayd Jurie doth p̄sent [that] y^{e} sayd John Partington is att lawfull age and to doe his servise and pay his Rents accustomed: And to bee sworne to y^{e} lord according to y^{e} custome of this court, ad quam quidem curiam venit p̄d Johem Partington, et iur̄ est dom̄ fecitq; fidelitatem et admissus est tenens.

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[1] George Pendleton, of Manchester, draper, appears against Stephen Browne, of the same place, yeoman, in a plea of debt of 8s., which, &c., according, &c., and seeks, &c. And an order to the bailiff is given that he shall summon the said Stephen to be present here at this Court Leet, &c.

[2] John Birch, of Manchester, occupier, appears against Randle Massie, of the same place, clothier, in a plea of debt of 25s., which, &c., according, &c., and seeks, &c. And an order to the bailiff is given that he shall summon, &c. [but] the parties are agreed [among themselves].

The Jurie dothe p'sent y^t^ Edmund Blomelaye nor his assignes haue nott suffered y^e^ water to haue his course from the backe syde of y^e^ house of Hughe Ouldham accordinge to an order heartofore mayde *ideo in mia* ... ... xx^s^

And further y^e^ Jurie doth order y^t^ the sayd Edmūde Blomeley and his assignes shall suffer y^e^ sayd water to haue his course according to y^e^ same order, and the same to bee done before y^e^ feast of Penticost next cōminge and so kepe y^e^ same from tyme to tyme sub pena for every tyme so offendinge xxvj^s^ viij^d^.....*non est factum.*

The Jurie dothe order y^t^ Henry Pendilton gentilmann[1] shall carrye his dounge away y^t^ lyethe in y^e^ strett called the markydstide lane and y^e^ same to bee done before y^e^ feast of Saint John Baptist [June 24] next sub pena v^s^.....*factum est.*

The Jurie dothe order y^t^ all those psons y^t^ bringe fyche to bee sold shall stand to sell y^e^ same fishe att y^e^ smythe dore as hath bene accustomed anends y^e^ launds of Richard Hunt gentlman[2] and anendes y^e^ house y^t^ Raphe Sorowcould wynter [vintner][3] nowe dwelleth in provided alwayes y^t^ none shall stannd anendes y^e^ dorre or wyndowes of his seller of y^e^ sayd Raphe Sorocould to lett [*i.e.*, stop] the light into his seller, and y^t^ the greater parte of those that bringe suche fishe to be sould shall stand vpon y^e^ same syde of the street anends y^e^ launds of y^e^ sayd Richard Hunt.

The Jurie dothe p̄sent y^t^ Richard morton hathe purchased certayne launds of mighill Harte lately depted and ys to doe his suyt and servise for y^e^ same launds Ad hanc Cur venit predictus Richardus et iuratus est dom̄ et admissus est tenens.

The Jurie dothe present y^t^ mighill Harte is depted since the last court and y^t^ y^e^ heires of the said mighill Harte shall come in att y^e^ next courte and doe their suyt and servisse.

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[1] See p. 167, note 4. [2] See p. 126.

[3] Ralph Sorocold is named together with Oliver Birch and Henry Hardey in 1571 as three Manchester vintners, who since the 26th September, 1566, had "used and kept each one of them one Tavern or Wyne Cellar within the town of Manchester, without lawful Warrant or Authoritie, and have bought sold and uttered their, ingrosse and retayle by lesse and greater measure, the nomber and quantitie [following], that is to say the said Oliver xx [20] Tonnes of all kynd of Wynes, the said Raufe 8 tonnes of all kynd of wynes, and the said Henrie half a tonn of all kynd of wynes, at greater and higher pryces than be lymitted or appointed by the Statute of 7 Edward VI [1553] and other laws and Statutes of this realme and have incurred the penalties and paynes therein provided, which being demanded would tend to the utter undoying of the said parties." They however escaped with the following fines:—Oliver Birch, £3. 6s. 8d.; Ralph Sorocold, 40s.; and Henry Hardey, 20s.

The Jurye doth order that all those ꝑsons that bringe any horses to this towne shall not ffodder theire horses in the Market place, nor in any other place in the Towne, nor shall not tye the said horses in any streetes w^th^in the towne but shall place the said horses in Stables and Rowmes in Innes w^th^in the towne, sub pena of euye horse beinge so founde foddered or tyed in the stretes iiij^d^, And y^t^ further the Burrow Reve Constable, or the Catchepolle shall cause this order to be published two market Dayes at the Market crosse, Alwaies ꝑvided, that those that bringe ffewell [fuel] to the towne to be soulde shall not be w^th^in this order nor payne.

The Jurie dothe order y^t^ Harry worrall shall so kepe his dunghill y^t^ lieth on the back side of his house y^t^ it bee not nosom to Thomas Brownsworthe nor to the tenants of Edward Chorlton and the same to bee done betwixt this and may day next and so kept from tyme to tyme sub pena every tyme x^s^.....*factum est.*

The Jurie doth order that all those good orders hertofore made concerninge butts, vnlawfull games misorders in alle houses not kepinge the assisse of alle, and all other misorders and all other misorders *(sic)* cõmitted w^th^in the sayd alle houses to staund & bee in force and the offenders therin to bee amersed and pũnyshed accordinge to the same orders.

m^d^that it ys ordayned by the Steward and the Jurie att the sayd leete courte y^t^ the Jurie beinge assisted w^th^ the deputie Steward and constables of y^e^ towne shall searche all the Innes and allehouses, and make certifficate vnto the sayd Steward what beddinge they and everye of them haue, and this to bee done some tyme before the end of the next weeke, and also to viewe what Rowmes and stablings they haue, And also to enquire what vnlawfull games they haue vsed in their houses, And whether they haue kept the assyse and by what measures they sell.....*factum est.*

The Steward and Jurie dothe order y^t^ the constables shall provide cõmon butts[1] to bee mayde in som places convenienient w^th^in this towne accordinge to y^e^ statute therin ꝑvided before Pentecost next sub pena vj^s^ viij^d^.....*factum est.*

Also it ys agreed by the Steward and the Jurie att this Leete y^t^ from the third sonday of Aprill next no houshoulder w^th^in manchester doe provide aboue twoe messe of meat for any marriage and y^t^ no more meat shalbee dressed or provided in any other houses butt in

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[1] See p. 55.

y^{t} one for y^{e} same mariage, and y^{t} he suffer not above the nūber [number] of xx persons to bee att those twoe messes vpon forfeiture to y^{e} sayd houshoulder for every messe above x^{s}

And for everye pson aboue y^{e} nūber [number] of twentie xij^{d}, And also y^{t} the same houshoulder in whose house any dinner breakfast, or other provision shalbe made doe giue warninge to the Deputie Stewarde, Burrow Reve and constables y^{t} suche dynner breakfast or other provision ys toward to thintent, y^{t} the officers afore sayd shall make searche for y^{e} observance of this order yf they shall thinke yt convenient so to doe sub pena ij^{s} vj^{d}

And y^{t} no Inhabitant shall ether goe himselfe or send his servant forth of y^{e} towne to any such weddinge vpon payne of iij^{s} iiij^{d} for every tyme so offendinge.

Manchester. [6th Oct., 1581.]

Curia cu[m] Visu ffranc pleg tent ibm Sexto die Octobris Anno Regni dñe Elizabeth dei gra, Angl, ffrancie et Hibnie Re[ne] fidei defensor &c vicesimo tertio [1581] p Subscen[m] eiusdm Cur.

Inquisico capt p Sacr[m]	Willmi Radcliffe Roberti Langley Richardi Hunte Georgii Birche Radulphi Byrom Thome Becke Adami Pilkinton Rici Shalcrosse Johnis Radcliffe	Jur	Johnis Birche Roberti Hardie Humfridi Haghton Georgii Travisse Roberti Cloughe Adami Ouldam Rici Moreton Rogeri Bexwicke Jacobi lancashire	Jur
Burrow Reeve	Thomas Becke Jur			
Catchpolle	Thomas Clegge Jur			
Constables	Henrie Pendilton Henrie Hardie	Jur		
Marketlokers for Corne ...	Anthony Sheppard Richarde Tippinge Henrie Wirrall Adam Rodley	Jur		
Marketlokers for fishe and ffleshe	Roberte Wharmebye Alexandr Potter	Jur		
Myselayers	Roberte Hardie Rodger Bexwicke	Jur		
Mysegatherers	Homfraye Houghton[1] Thomas Brounsworde Nichas Becke, mortuus[1]			
Sealers of Lether	Bartholomew ffletcher Nichas Mosse at bowrehouse James Bradshawe	Jur		

[1] Humphrey Houghton's name and the word "mortuus" after Nicholas Beck are added in a different hand, showing that the former took the place of Nicholas Beck on the death of the latter.

Marketlokers for Whitmeate in y^e^ marketstidlane & Marketsteades	John Brucke Willm Cuncliffe	Jur.
Marketlokers for Whit meate in the Mylnegate	xp̃ofer killner George Dowson	Jur.
Marketlokers for Whitmeate in the Deanesgate	John Grenehalgh Hugh Bordmā sheremō	Jur.
Marketloker for Whitmeate in the Huntesbancke	Charles Duckitte	Jur.
Marketlokers for Whitmeate in the Withingreave	Roberte Hollande John Reddiche	Jur.
Officers for wholesome breade ...	Adam Hoape William Barlowe	Jur.
Alefounders	Thomas Swarelande Elis Rothwell	Jur.
Birlamen for Marketstidlane ...	Raphe Gepson Willm Hunte	
Birlamen for deanesgate & S^t^ Maryegate	John Postles Olyu Digle	Jur.
Birlamen for W^th^ingreave and Hangingdiche...	Richarde Mooreton Roberte Hilton	Jur.
Birlamen for Milnegate... ...	James Marshall Andrew Reynshall	Jur.
Birlaman for Huntesbancke ...	Edmunde Romsden	Jur.
Skevingers for Marketstidlane ...	Richarde Brucke Adam Wharmebye	Jur.
Skevingers for Deanesgate ...	Hughe Bordman glover Robte Jannye	Jur.
Skevingers for Mylnegate and Todelane	Thomas Hilton Henrie Adamson Rodger Sawle	Jur.
Skevingers for Hanging Dyche & Mealegate	George Wirrall Robte Siddall	Jur.
Skevingers ffor ffenelstrete and to the Scholehowse	Hughe Thorpe Jur. George Barlowe James Hilton	Jur.
Skevingers for bothe Marketstids	Symon Malone Jur. George kenricke Ralphe Shelmdeyn	Jur.
Skevingers frō y^e^ boothes to the Smythiedore	Raphe Sorocold W^m^ Hardie yong^r^	Jur.
Skevingers for S^t^ Marygate ...	Richarde Adlington George Choureton	Jur.
Officers for frutes	Thomas Wrighte Olyver Mosse	Jur.

Officers for Ales and Weddings...	Edward Cuncliffe Jur̃ John Leeze Jur̃
Praysers	George Romsden wm Reade eldr } Jur̃
Officers for makinge cleane ye Marketstids	vx̃ Phillippe Bexwicke Jur̃ Otywell Thorpe
Afferors of ye Courte	William Radcliffe Jur̃ John Radcliffe Jur̃ John Birche Jur̃ George birche J[ur̃]

The Jurie doth order yt no man̄ of ꝑson or ꝑsons whatsoeu̓ within ye towne of Manchester shall hereafter make any Rescusse [rescues] vpon ye lordes baylief, when he cometh to serve any levie or precepte, or to distreyne for any fyne, or amciamente vpon payne of euy Rescous [rescue] made and presented in ye courte xs

The Jurie doth presente that Edmūde Blomeley nor his assignes haue not observed the order made at ye last Leete for ye suffringe of ye water to haue [its] course from ye backe syde of Hughe Oldam his howse, *ideo ipe Edmundus in mia* xxvjs viijd

And the saide Jurie doth further order that ye saide Edmunde and his assignes shall suffer the saide water to haue his course accordinge to the same order before ye feaste of All Sayncts [Nov. 1] nexte sub pena xxxs

The Jurie doth presente, Hughe Travisse sonne of Hughe Travisse to be of lawefull age and is to come in at this courte to be sworne to the lorde, and to doe his sute and Service.

Ad quã quidem Cur venit ꝑdcus Hugo, et Jur̃ est dño fecitque fidelitatẽ, ac admissus est tenens[1]

The Jurie doth presente that John Orrell of Turton esquyer[2] is depted synce the last Leete Courte, and that William Orrell is his sonne and heyre, and of full age, And shall come in at ye nexte

[1] To the which Court the said Hugh came, and was sworn to the lord and made his fealty, and was admitted tenant.

[2] He was the son and heir of Ralph Orrell, of Turton, Esq. (who died 24th July, 1513), by Anne, daughter of William Latham, of Parbold, co. Lanc. (see *Lancashire Visitation*, 1533, Chetham Society, p. 201). He married Elizabeth, daughter of Nicholas Butler, of Rawcliffe, co. Lanc., by whom he had three sons, William, Richard, and Francis, and several daughters. His will, made 10th May, 1581, was proved at Chester, 20th July, in that year. He desired to be buried "in the Chappell of Jesus betwix my father and ye churche wall wthin the parrishe churche of Bolton in the mores and I giffe unto ye curet of bolton ten shillings for to praye ffor my ancestors saulles [souls] my saulle and all Crysten saulles." This was in 1581, more than 40 years after the Reformation.

Leete courte vpon warninge geven to doe his sute and service sub pena vj^{s} viij^{d} [In the margin:—Respectuat^{r} eius fidelitas vsque ad Cur̃ leta ibm tenend post festū Pasche px̃ p Scen^{m}].[1]

The Jurie doth order that whereas the Condite an Ornamente of the Towne ys greatelye decayed to y^{e} greate discōmoditie of the Towne yt is ordred by the saide Jurie that William Radcliffe gent Roberte Langley Nichas Becke Thomas Becke John Radcliffe George Pendilton Henrie Gee and John Billindge shalbe Overseers of y^{e} said Condite for y^{e} amendmente of the same, And shall eyther by benevolence of y^{e} well disposed Inhabitants or callinge the Myselayers to theym shall assesse suche Sumes of money ffor y^{e} Repayringe of y^{e} same, as by theire discrecons shall seeme convenyente, And that no pson or psons shall convey any water betwene ix^{ne} a clocke in the Evenynge and Six a clocke in the Morninge from y^{e} saide Condite vpō payne that y^{e} said pson shall forfayte for euye tyme so offendinge vj^{d}

And that all good orders heretofore made concerninge y^{e} saide Condite shall stand in effecte.

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[1] His fealty is respited to the Court Leet held there after the feast of Easter next by the Steward.

Manchester. [19th April, 1582.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu franc pleg Johnis Lacie ar̃[1] dni de Manchester tent ibm die Jovis vidz decimo nono die Aprilis Anno Regni dñe Elizabeth dei gr̃a, Anglie ffrauncie et Hibnie Regine fidei Defensor &c Vicesimo quarto [1582].[2]

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[1] This is the first Court at which the name of John Lacy, Esq., appears as lord of the manor of Manchester. By indenture dated 15th May, 1579, the manor of Manchester was mortgaged by Sir William West, Knt., Lord La Warre, *alias* Lord Delaware, and Thomas West, Esq., his son and heir apparent, to John Lacy, citizen and clothworker of London, for £3,000. There was a proviso in the deed that if the said Lord La Warre or his son "shall well and truly paye or cause to be paide unto the said John Lacy his executors," &c., the sum of £3,000 on the 20th May, 1580, "at the nowe dwellinge house of the said John Lacy in West Chepe, London," that then this indenture was to be utterly void and of no effect. But if they did not pay this money on the day appointed, then this indenture was to be in full force, and that "the said Lord Lawarr, Dame Elizabeth his wife and Thomas his sonne and their severall heires and the said Thomas West brother to the said Lord Lawarr" would do all that was required in law "for the more perfect assureinge saffetie and suer makinge and conveyinge" all the said premises, &c., to the said John Lacy and his heirs. It was also provided that the said Lord La Warre might hold the said manor and all its rights, &c., till the date of the repayment of the £3,000. This money was never paid, and consequently the manor of Manchester passed to John Lacy, and a fine was levied and a recovery of the same suffered on 7th August, 1581, by which it was absolutely conveyed to him. This was the second Court held after such conveyance.

Of JOHN LACY, who thus became lord of the manor of Manchester, not much is known. As already noticed, he was a citizen and clothworker of London, and in 1579 was living in the "West Chepe," London. By indenture dated 23rd March, 1595-6, he sold the manor of Manchester for £3,500 to Nicholas Moseley, citizen and Alderman of London, and Rowland Moseley, his son and heir apparent. In this deed there is mention of Helen, the wife of the said John Lacy, and Rowland Lacy, his son and heir apparent. He died at Putney, co. Surrey, on 21st August, 1606, and was probably buried in the church there, but no monumental inscription to his memory is now known. He left no will, but in the administration bond, dated 5th September, 1606, he is described as of the parish of St. Mary Magdalen, Milk Street, London. His Inquisition *post mortem* was taken at the Guildhall, London, 1st July, 1607. He died seised of property in St. Lawrence's, London; St. Alphage's, London; Brislington, co. Somerset, &c. His son and heir, Sir Rowland Lacy, Knt., was then aged forty years or more. Sir Rowland married Constance, the daughter of Sir Thomas Lucas, Knt., Recorder of Colchester, &c., and they were both living in 1608.

[2] Court, with view of frank pledge of John Lacie, Esq., lord of Manchester, held there on Thursday, viz., the 19th day of April in the year of the reign of the lady Elizabeth, by the grace of God, of England, France, and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c., the twenty-fourth [1582].

Inquisičo capt p Sacr̄m	Georgii Pendilton Johnis Birche Roberti Cloughe Adami Ouldam Robti Rodley Riči Hunte willm Hardie Edwardi Hanson	Rogeri Bexwicke Henrici Adamson Roberti Marler Riči Mooreton Jacobi Choureton Radi Birche Georgii Wirrall	Jur̄

Jur̄ pntant quod Thomas Costerdeyne qui seisit fuit de vno Messuagio et viginti Acris terr sive plus sive minus in dnico suo vt de feod in Manch^r pred, concessit eadm citra vltimā Cur Thome Brounsword filio Thome Brounsword de Manchester pred, ac hered et assignat̄ Thome Brounsword filii ad opus et vsu ipius Thome filii et hered suor̄ in ppetuū. Et quia pred Thomas Brounsword filius est infra etatem quatuordecem̄ Annor̄ et nō est presens in Cur ideo Respectuatur captio fidelitatis eius &c.[1]

The Jurie doth prēnte y^t Nicholas Becke[2] is depted synce the last courte, and that Thomas Becke is his sonne & heyre and vnder age.

The Jurie doth pnte y^t Edmunde Blomeley nor his assigns haue not observed the order made at the last leete for the suffringe y^e wat^r to haue [its] course from the backsyde of Hughe Ouldam his howse therefore wee fynd hym in *mia* xxx^s

And the said Jurie doth further order y^t the said Edmūde and his assignes shall suffer y^e said water to haue his course accordinge to the same order before y^e feaste of S^t Bartholomew the apostle [Aug. 24] nexte ensuynge sub pena xxxij^s

The Jurie doth order y^t where as dyūze psons or household^m w^thin y^le towne of Manchest^r haue taken into theire houses, dyūze Inmakes[3] and straungers, not borne nor inhabitinge w^thin y^le towne

[1] The Jury present that Thomas Costerdyne, who was seised of one messuage and 20 acres of land, either more or less, in his demesne, as of fee, in Manchester aforesaid, has conceded the same since the last Court to Thomas Brownsword, son of Thomas Brownsword, of Manchester aforesaid, and the heirs and assigns of the said Thomas Brownsword, the son, to the use and behoof of the said Thomas, the son and his heirs for ever. And because the said Thomas Brownsword the son is under the age of 14 years he is not present in Court, therefore the taking of his fealty is respited, &c.

[2] Nicholas Beck was the second son of Thomas Beck, of Manchester, by Anne, his wife (see pp. 144 and 204). He was buried at the Collegiate Church, 14th November, 1581. His will is not now to be found at Chester.

[3] Meaning that these inmates and strangers had not been born in nor become inhabitants of Manchester, as the statute provided, before they could be received as lodgers.

for y^e^ space of certeyne yeares, accordinge to y^e^ statutes of this Realme in that case ꝑvided,[1] w^ch^ said straungers haue lyued Idellye, and fallen to begginge to y^e^ greate burden of y^e^ rest of the Inhabitants of the towne, Therefore wee order, that no household^r^ or inhabiter hereafter, after y^e^ feaste of Penticost nexte shall suffer any suche ꝑson to tary in theire houses, nor from after y^e^ saide feaste daye shall take to dwell w^th^ theym as Inmakes any suche straungers, or others not beinge borne in this towne, or dwellinge here by the space of three yeares last past Vnlesse the same ꝑsons doe come before y^e^ constables of this towne for the tyme beinge, and can geve their accompte before y^e^ said constables, how or by what meane they can gett theire lyvinge without begginge or lyvinge ydellye to the burden of the Inhabitants of the towne sub pena for eu̅ye tyme so offendinge xx^s^

And further that no household^r^ or other ꝑsons inhabitinge w^th^in this towne shall suffer any hoares or notorious offenders beinge gotten in other hamletts or parishes w^th^ childe, to come and lye in childbed in y^le^ towne w^th^in theire houses or dwellinge places sub pena for eu̅ye woma̅ so comynge and inhabitinge or lyenge w^th^in theire houses for eu̅ye tyme xx^s^

And to be further ꝑunyshed at y^e^ discrecon of y^e^ said Constables and further wee order and desyre the said Constables of the towne that they will monethlye goe throughe the towne to see this order put in execuc̃on to the glorye of god & benefyte of the cōmon wealthe of the towne.

The Jurye dothe pñte [present] y^t^ william Orrell of Turton esquyer[2] hath not come into y^e^ courte to doe his sute & su̅vice accordinge to an order before made therefore we pñte hym in *mia* vj^s^ viij^d^ And furth^r^ wee ord^r^ the said willm Orrell to come at the nexte Leete courte and doe his sute and & *(sic)* service sub pen̅ x^s^ [In the margin:—mīa vj^s^ viij^d^ extract est sed pena x^s^ et fidelitas eiusd̅m Willmi respectuat^r^ ꝑ scen^lm^ vsque ad Cur̃ leta ib̅m ten̅ ap^d^ festu̅ Pasche 1583].[3]

The Jurye doth pñte Rodger Bowker showmaker [shoemaker] to haue encroched vpon y^e^ lords wast in the withingreave nere adioyninge to his howse w^ch^ he now dwelleth in.

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[1] See p. 197. [2] See p. 223.

[3] The amercement 6s. 8d. is struck out, but the fine 10s., and the fealty of the said William is respited by the Steward to the Court Leet held there after the feast of Easter, 1583.

The Jurye doth pñte George Birche to haue encroched vpon the Wat[r] of Ircke at his lands w[ch] he holdeth that was M[r] Strangwaies,[1] and turned the water out of his course to y[e] hurte of the highwaie, wee order the same George to amend y[e] same before the nexte Courte sub pena xx[s]

The Jurye doth order that all y[e] orders heretofore made concerninge the good gouñance [governance or government] of the towne to stand and be in force, and to be put in execuc̃on.

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[1] Thomas Strangeways, Esq. (See p. 93.)

Manch[ester]. [9th Oct., 1582.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu franc pleg tent ibm Nono die mens Octobris Anno Regni dñe Elizabeth dei gra, Anglie, ffrauncie et Hibnie Regine fidei defensor &c xxiiij^to^ [1582] p Rich Swinglehirst[1] [Ranulphum Hurleston crossed out] Scen^la^ ibm.

Inquisico capt p Sacr(m) Willmi Radclif, Rici Hunte, Robti Langley, Georgii Pendilton, Humfridi Haughton, Johnis Radclif, Johnis Birche, Robti Hardie, Rogeri Bexwicke, Robti Cloughe, Adami Oldam, Radi Birche, Edwardi Hanson, Georgii wirrall et Roberti Rodley — Jur

Burrow Reve	Henrie Pendilton Jur
Catchpolle	william Reade yong^r^ Jur
Constables	William Radclyffe gen Jur; Roberte Langley gen Jur
Marketlokers for Corne ...	Raphe Byrche at Orchard, William Barlowe, Roberte Bridghouse, Thomas Batson — Jur
Marketlokers for fishe and ffleshe	John wharmebie, James Hiltonne — Jur
Myselayers	George Pendilton, John Birche — Jur
Mysegatherers	Symon Malone, ffrauncis Houghe — Jur
Sealers of leather	John Sympson, John barlowe, Hughe batersbye — Jur

[1] Richard Swinglehurst, or Swindlehurst, appears to have been appointed Steward in the place of Randle Hurlestone. Of him I have so far been unable to ascertain any particulars.

Marketlokers for whitmeate in y^e Marketstidlane and the old Marketstidds	Roberte Cloughe Nichas worsley	Jur^i
Marketlokers for whitmeate in the Mylnegate	Hughe Marler willm Sorocold	Jur^i
Marketlokers for whitmeate in y^e Deanesgate	John Postles Thoms Geffreyson	Jur^i
Marketlokers for whitmeate in y^e Huntesbancke...	Edmunde Romsdeyne	Jur^i
Marketlokers for whitmeate in the withingreave	James Grenehalghe Thomas Scoffeld	Jur^i
Offycers for wholesom breade ...	John Bamfford John woodde	Jur^i
Aletasters or Aleffounders ...	Olyu Digle George Holte	Jur^i
Bylawmen for the Marketstidlane	Thomas Brounsword Richard Brucke	Jur^i
Bylawmen for Deanesgate & S^t marygate	Anthonye Sheppard John Gee	Jur^i
Bylawmen for y^e withingreave and Hangingdyche	John Tetlow Robte Hilton	Jur^i
Bylawmen for y^e Mylnegate Todelane & fenelstreete	Henry Adamson Leonarde Potter	Jur^i
Bylawman for Huntesbancke ...	William Vaghan	Jur^i
Skevingers for Marketstidlane ...	Humfrey Haughton Raphe Gepson	Jur^i
Skevinger[s] for Deanesgate ...	Thomas Smythe Thomas Swareland	Jur^i
Skevingers for Milnegate Todelane ffenelstrete and withingreave	Rodger bexwicke Hughe Thorpe Rauffe Rodley Myles Wilson James Marshall John Dowson	Jur^i
Skevingers for hangingdiche & mealegate	Edwarde Hanson Adam Hoape	Jur^i
Skevingers for bothe Marketstids	John Radcliffe Richarde Tippinge Henrie Gee	Jur^i
Skevingers frō y^e boothes to y^e Smythiedoare...	George Pendilton Roberte Hardie	Jur^i
Skevingers for S^t Mariegate ...	John Asheton Richarde Adlington	Jur^i

Officers for frutes	Thomas Wrighte Olyu Mosse	Jur
Officers for Ales and Weddings...	John Billinge James Lancashyre	Jur
Praysers	George Romsdeyn wm Reade eldr	Jur
Officers for makinge cleane ye marketstids	vx Phillip bexwick Otywell Thorpe	Jur
Afferors of the Courte	Humfrey Haughton George Proudlove Henry Gee Roberte Hardie	Jur

The Jurie doth presente that Edwarde Buckley is depted since ye last Courte, and that James Buckley is his sonne and heyre, and at lawefull age, and to doe his sute and ꝟvice, compuit et admissus est tenens fecitq; fidelitatē p burgag in Milnegate et solvt p am vjd et intulit in Cur, pugionē prīs sui, quod deliber p herioto.[1]

The Jurie doth pñte that Thomas Pyecrofte[2] is at lawfull age and is to doe his sute and ꝟvice. Qui vent simiłr et Jur est domino fecitq; fidelitatē, et admissus est tenens p burgag in Mylnegate et reddit p am xijd ac deliber Leonardo Rothwell batt pugionē prīs sui p herioto.

The Jurye doth presente, that Wiłłim Barlowe hathe purchased of Robert Glover one burgage in Milnegate wherein ye said wm now dwelleth. Qui quidm wiłłms Jur est dño fecitq; fidelitatē et admissus est tenens, et reddit p am iiijd.

The Jurye doth presente that Roberte Barlowe hath encroched in ye Marketstid and buylded A Hoovell or Pentehouse adioyeninge to his howse and Smythie there And the said Jurye doth order that he shall take the same downe, or agree with ye lord before ye nexte leete sub pena xs. [In the margin:—Concordat cū dño p mediacoem Nichi mosley p tali Redditu, quali assessatr p pd Nichū.][3]

The Jurye doth present that whereas Arthur kirshawe (as they are informed) doth tytle some pte of ye mylners lane to be his lande,

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[1] He appeared and was admitted tenant, and did his fealty for the burgage in the Milnegate, and pays per annum 6d., and he brought into Court his father's dagger, which he gave as a heriot.

[2] See p. 170.

[3] He agrees with the lord by the mediation of Nicholas Mosley for such a rent as is assessed by the said Nicholas.

the said Jurye doth fynde that y^e^ said lane is whollye pteyninge to y^e^ lord of this Mano^r^, and is to be vsed for y^e^ benefyte of y^e^ neighbors of y^e^ towne as yt hathe bene accustomed.

The Jurye doth order y^t^ all good orders heretofore made concerninge y^e^ gou̅nemente of the Condite shall stand in effecte, accordinge to y^e^ true meaninge of the same Orders.

The Jurye doth ord^r^ that John birche at Crooke mylñ [Miller] nor any other pson or psons shall not at any tyme hereaft^r^ buye any Malte, corne or grayne w^th^in y^le^ market and sell y^e^ same agayne in y^e^ said markett contrarye to y^e^ lawes of this Realme vpō suche payne as is pvided by the same lawes.

The Jurye doth presente that Raphe Sorocolde[1] and Richard Hale haue soulde wyne contrarye to y^e^ Statute at higher pryces then the Statute doth allowe ..... [In another hand:—we referre this to the statute for that case pvided.]

The Jurye doth presente that Edmunde Blomeley nor his assignes haue not observed y^e^ order made at y^e^ last Leete for y^e^ suffringe of the water to haue his course from y^e^ back syde of Hughe Oldam's howse, and therefore they do fynde hym *in mia* xxxij^s^, And doth further ord^r^ that y^e^ said Edmund and his assignes shall suffer y^e^ same wat^r^ to haue his course before the nexte leete sub pen̅ xxxiij^s^ iiij^d^

The Jurye doth pñte that Richarde Streete of Moston ys depted synce the laste Courte, and that will̃m Strete is his cosyn [*i.e.*, next of kin] and heyre and vnd^r^ age.

[1] See p. 218.

Manchestr [4th April, 1583.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu franc pleg Johis Lacie ar̄, dñi de Manchestr Manˉii siu ibm, tent apud Manchestr p̄d iiij° die Aprilis, Anno Regni dñe Elizabeth dei gr̄a, Anglie, ffrauncie, et Hibnie, Regine fidei defensor &c Vicessimo quinto [1583] p Rich Swinglehirst [Ranulphum Hurleston crossed out] capitat Scen[lm] eiusdm Cur̄

Inquisic̃o capt̄ p Sacr̄	Georgii Travisse Ric̃i Hunte Georgii Proudluffe Johnis Birche Hugon̄ Travisse willm Hardie Ric̃i Mooreton Robti Siddall	Jur̄	Robti Cloughe Rad̄i Haughton Adami Ouldam Rad̄i birche willmi barlowe Henrici Adamson Ric̃i Platte et Jacobi Choureton

The Jurye doth presente Lawrance Robynson of Salforde to haue purchazed of Richarde ffox, one burgage in y[e] Milnegate & payeth to the lorde for the same burgage xij[d] And for the Cōmon Oven[1] belonginge to the same burgage vj[s] viij[d] by the yeare, And ys to doe his service for the same burgage. Jur̄ est dño fecitq̄ fidelitat̃, ac admissus est tenens.

The Jurye doth presente Robte Marler[2] to be dep̄ted synce y[e] laste Courte, and that Henry Pendilton gen̄t is his next heyre in the

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[1] See p. 55 and p. 211.

[2] Robert Marler, of Manchester, goldsmith, made his will 15th October, 1582, proved at Chester 21st November, 1582. He desired to be buried in the parish church of Manchester, "where Ciceley, my late wife, was buried." He recites certain conveyances of all his lands, leases, &c., in Manchester, dated 31st March, 17 Elizabeth [1575] between him, the said Robert Marler of the first part, Henry Pendleton, and Elizabeth, his wife, of the second part, and James Marler, of Lambeth, co. Surrey, of the third part. His goods are to be divided into three parts, one part for himself, the second to Margaret, his wife, and the third part to Elizabeth, his daughter, wife of Henry Pendleton. Margaret, his wife, was to have the house, wherein the testator dwelt, during her widowhood. To his cousin, John Marler, he leaves £20 in trust, to pay the same "to my nephew Edward Marler, son of James Marler, when he cometh forth of his Prenticeshipp." If

Righte of Elizabeth nowe his wyffe, daughter to the saide Roberte, and is to doe his service, and paye his Rent due for the same. Jur. est dño fecitque fidelitatē suā.

The Jurye doth order that whereas there is greate abuse in a game or games vsed in the towne called Gidiegadie or y^e^ Catspallet,[1] and typinge or hurlinge y^e^ balle, y^t^ no man pson shall playe at y^e^ same games beinge above y^e^ age of vij yeares, either in the Churche yarde, or in any stretes of this towne vpon payne of euye pson so playenge to be ymprisoned in the Donngeon[2] for the space of ij howres, Or ells euye pson so offendinge to pay vj^d^ for euye tyme, And yf they haue not to paye, then the parents or maisters of suche psons so offendinge to paye the saide vj^d^, or to suffer the lyke ymprisonmente.

The Jurye doth order that Grace Blomeley late wyffe of Edmunde Blomeley, or thexecutors or assignes of the saide Edmunde, shall suffer the water to haue his [its] Course frō the house of Hughe Ouldam accordinge to orders heretofore made in the Courte booke, and the same to be Done before y^e^ feaste of Penticost nexte sub pena xxxiij^s^ iiij^d^.....*non est factum.*

The Jurye doth ord^r^ that where as there is a certeyne privie buylded vpon y^e^ backsyde of the howse of W^m^ Hardie [the] young^r^, adioyeninge to a house of W^m^ Radcliffe gent, to the greate annoyance of neighboures, Wee order that Willm Hardie younger, or whosoeu doth occupie the same house, shall take the same privie awaye and suffer no more suche privie to stande there, and the same to be Done before Maij daie nexte, and so kepte from tyme to tyme sub pena vj^s^ viij^d^.....*factum est.*

The Jurye doth order that Symon Malone, or whosoever shall occupye the same house to kepe the Donnghill vpon the Backsyde that yt shall not lye to the stable or backesydehouse that Thomas Brounsworde dwelleth in, or to harme y^e^ same howses & the same to be Done before Maij daye nexte, and so kepte from tyme to tyme sub pena x^s^

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he die before that time, that then 40s. shall go to Robert Marler, of Failsworth, and the residue to Margaret, the testator's wife. "To my cosyn John Marler my gold ring which I use to wear." He also names his godson Francis Pendleton, son of Henry Pendleton, his son-in-law; James Glover, and Anne his wife; his (the testator's) sister-in-law, Jane Dodge, to whom he leaves £20, and Alice Seddon. He desires his cousin, John Marler, and his loving friends Thomas Brownsword and Robert Birch to be overseers, Margaret, his wife, being sole executrix. There is now no inventory with the will. Henry Pendleton, the testator's son-in-law, was the son and heir of Francis Pendleton, of Manchester, merchant (see p. 167).

[1] See p. 205. [2] See p. 205.

The Jurie Doth order that whereas W^m^ Orrell gent[1] hath not come into this Courte to Doe his service accordinge to an ord^r^ heretofore made therefore they fynde that he hath incurred the payne of x^s^

And they Doe further ord^r^ the same Willm Orrell to come in betwixte this and the next Courte sub pen̄ xx^s^

And also they the saide Jurye Doe ord^r^ John Grenehalgh of Brandilsom esquyer[2] to come in betwixte this and y^e^ nexte court sub pena xx^s^ in lyke man̄.

The Jurye Doth order that all the orders heretofore made aswell for the good gou̇nem^t^ of the Towne, as also for vnlawefull games, Ales, and Weddings, Buttes Watches misorders in the nighte, the Condite and all other things necessarye for y^e^ good governem^t^ of y^e^ towne shall stande and be in effecte, And doe crave of M^r^ Stewarde that y^e^ same orders may be duelye put in execuc̃on.

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[1] See p. 223 and p. 227. [2] See p. 180.

Manch[ester]. [8th Oct., 1583.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu franc pleg Johnis Lacye ar̃ dñi de Manchester Mañij sui ibm tent apud Manchester in Com Launcaster octauo Die mensis Octobris, Anno Regni dñe Elizabeth dei gr̃a, Angl ffraunciæ et Hiberniæ Re[ne], fidei defensor, &c vicessimo quinto [1583] p Richardũ Swinglehirste gen̄ Scen[la] eiusdm̃ Cur̃.

Borrowreeve	George Trauis elder	Jur̃.
Catchpoole	William Read yonger	
Constables	Raffe Jepson John Dawson	Jur̃
Marketlookers for corne ...	Edward Hansone Christofer Downes Hughe Marler Rauphe Shelmerdyne	Jur̃
Marketlookers for fish & flesh ...	Henrie Wharmbye Robert Jakes	Jur̃
Myslaiers [Mise layers]	John Ratclif Rodger Bexwicke	Jur̃
Misegatherers	John Billinge Robert Bridghouse	Jur̃
Sealers of Lether	Otiwell Johnson Adam Rodley Robert Rodley	Jur̃
Marketlookers for whitmeate in the Marketstidlane & ould Marketsteed	Rychard Brooke Thomas Strenghfelow	Jur̃
Marketlookers for whitmeate in y[e] Milgate	John Lees Henrie pinner	Jur̃
Marketlookers for whitmeate in y[e] Deansgate	Edward Sorowcoulde Willi̇ Hulton	Jur̃
Marketlookers for whitmeat in y[e] Huntsbanke	John Strenghfelow	Jur̃
Marketlookers for y[e] withen-greaue	ffrauncis Houghe Robert Oldame	Jur̃
Officers for houlsom breade ...	William Barlow Adam Hoope	Jur̃

Aletasters	John Hunt John Chorltō sher	Jur̄
Birlamen for y^e^ Marketsteedlane	Henrie Pendleton Roberte Cloughe	Jur̄
Birlamē for y^e^ Deansgate, & S^t^ marigate	Thomas Jefferson Hugh boardmā sckiner	Jur̄
Birlamē for y^e^ withengreaue Hangingbridge & ffenelstreete.	Richard Moorton Robert Hilton Hughe Thorpe	Jur̄
Birlamen for y^e^ Milgate & toodlane	Andrewe Renshall James Marshall	Jur̄
Birlamā for y^e^ Huntsbanke ...	John Cowap	Jur̄
Skeuingers for y^e^ Marketsteedlane	Rychard Gee Thomas Brownsworth	Jur̄
Skeuingers for Deansgate ...	John Gee Antonie Shepard	
Skeuingers for Toodlane ffenelstreet, & Withingreaue ...	George Hoult Raffe Anderton John Redich John Wharmby Thomas Hilton Henri Adamson	Jur̄
Skeuingers for the Hanging Dich & Mealgate	Georg Worrall Robert Sidall	Jur̄
Skevingers for boath the Marke-steeds	Robert Barlow Henrye Worrall George Kenricke	Jur̄
Skevingers ffrom y^e^ Boothes to the Smithidoare	Thomas Goodyeare Richard ffox	Jur̄
Skeuingers for S^t^ marigate ...	George Hunter Edmond Smythe	Jur̄
Officers for fruits	Thomas Wrighte Oliuer Mosse	Jur̄
Officers for ales & weddinges ...	Richard Hurst John Bamford	Jur̄
Prysers	George Romsden William Reade elder	Jur̄
Officers for makeinge cleane the marketsteede	vxor Phillip Bexwike Otiwell Thorpe	Jur̄
Afferors of The Courte	Williā Ratclif gentlemā Rychard Hunt Gentlemā Henrie Pendleton Thomas Becke	Jur̄

Inquisičo capt̄ p Sacr̄m̄	Johnnis Radcliffe		Thome Becke	
	Riči Hunte		Radi Houghton	
	Georgii Proudlove		Riči Mooreton	
	Georgii Pendilton		Robti Cloughe	
	Johnnis Gee	Jur̄	Riči Gee	Jur̄
	Georgii Travisse		Adami Oldam	
	Johnnis Birche		willmi barlowe	
	Thome Goodyeare		Georgii Wirrall	
	Rogeri bexwicke		Henrici Adamson	

The saide Jury doth presente Raphe Proudeluffe to be at lawefull age, and ys come in to doe his sute and service. Jur̄..... *factum est.*

The Jurie doth p̄sent that John Hultonn is Depted since the laste Courte, & that Raundle Hilton his soone & heare & of Lawfull age & is come at this Court to do his suite & seruice, et reddit p Annū xij^{d} et Deliber vnū pugionē p herioto.....*factum est.*

The Jurie dothe p̄sent y^{t} Rauffe Sorocould[1] hath purchased Lands of John Partington lyinge in Manchester, but w^{t} rent he paieth to the lord wee know not, but the said Rauf is to do suit & seruice, for the same Lands Jur̄ est Dño.....*factum est.*

The Jurie doth order y^{t} the Borrowreue, shall geue warninge tow market Daies at the Crosse, accordinge to the order heartofore made, touchinge the foddering of horses in the market, y^{t} Otiwell Thorpe, & the wyf of Phillip Bexwike, shall p̄sent all those men that ffodder their horses, contrarie to that order.....*factum est.*

The Jurie dothe order y^{t} Nicholas worsley shall keepe a priuie, so y^{t} it be not noysome to his neighbours, & so keepe the same ffrom time to time, at or before the feast of S^{t} Marten the bishopp [Nov. 11] next sub pena iij^{s} iiij^{d}.....*factum est.*

The Jurie doth p̄sent that Grace Blowmeley widowe nor her Assignes hath not suffered the water to haue his Course, ffrom the back side of the house of Hughe Oldam, according to an order made in the Court booke we find her to haue incurred the paine of xxxiij^{s} iiij^{d}

And ffurther the Jurie dothe order, the said Grace w^{t} her soone Robert Blowmeleye, that they, or either of them suffer the same water to haue his Course & the same to be doone at or before the feast Daie of Synt Martin [Nov. 11] next sub pœna xxxvj^{s}

[1] See p. 218.

The Jurie doth order that Hughe Oldam shall not cast nor suffer to be cast, anie noisome or filthie water into his back side, to that gutter or water course y^t^ now is, or anie other to anoye to anoye *(sic)* the said Robt Blomeleye, but onlie such water as faleth from y^e^ Element, & the same so to be kept ffrom hence forthe ffrom time to time, sub pœna euerie time so offendinge iij^s^ iiij^d^

The Jurie dothe order that no maner of pson or psons shall suffer anie of their swine, to go about in the streets, either by daie or night, w^th^in this towne of Manchester, or other wyse to Anoye or hurte his neighbours by ani vnlawfull means sub pœna ffor euerie time so offendinge, for euerie swyne iiij^d^

And further the Birlaymene, shall haue power & aucthoritie, to p^r^sent the Same swine whose they be at the next Court, & so fforme [*sic* for from] time to time.

The Jurie dothe order y^t^ whearas John Turner hath set one priuie, noysome to Rauff Prowdlouffe that the same shalbe taken awaie, at or before the feast daye of Synt Andrewe [Nov. 30] next sub pœna v^s^.....*factum est.*

The Jurie dothe order y^t^ all the orders hertofore made aswell for the good governmēt of the towne as also for vnlawfull games, ales, & weddinges, buttes, watches, misorders in the night, the condit & al other thinges necesarie, ffor the good govermēt of the towne, shal stand & be in effect, & do craue of M^r^ Steward, that the same orders maie be dulie put in executione.

Whearas it was ordered by the Jurie at the last Leete that W^m^ Orrell gentleman,[1] should haue come in at this Court, to haue doone his suit & seruice, vppon paine of xx^s^ and hath not coome therfore the said Jurie dothe order, that the said W^m^ shall comm at the next Leete Court sub pœna xxvj^s^ viij^d^ & y^t^ John Greenehoughe of Brandlesome Esquire,[2] should likewise haue come at this Leete, and hathe not come, the said Jurie doth order, that the said John shall come in at the next Leete, sub pœna xxvj^s^ viij^d^.....*non est factum.*

[1] See p. 235. [2] See pp. 180 and 235.

Manchestr [23rd April, 1584.]

Cur cu[m] Visu franc pleg Johnis Lacie ar̃ Dñi de Manchestr Mañii sui ibm ten̄ apud Manchestr in Com̃ Lanc Die Jovis px post festū Pasche vidz xxiij Die Aprilis Anno Regni Dñe Elizabeth Dei gr̃a Anglie ffrauncie et Hibnie fidei Defensor &c Vicesimo sexto [1584] p Richard Swinglehirste gen̄ Scen[le] eiusdm Cur̃

[The names of the Jury are not entered.]

The Jurie doith order that wheras ther haith bene divers gud & Lawdable orders hertofore made and ordened by the Jurors hertofore for & concer̃inge the makinge of weddinge Dynners & other feasts as also what everie pson that shall inhabit w[th]in this towne of Manchestr & the presynct of the same shall paie at annye the said weddinge diñe[r]s or feasts & As hit maye appere the the *(sic)* said gud orders haue bene confirmed by the Right honorable therle of Darbie & thought to be booth gud & proffitable for the cōmonewealthe Inconsideracōnn wherof the Jurie doith now order y[t] one order hertofore made in Anno septimo of the quenes R[ye] that now ys [1565][1] shall stande & be in full force agaynst all the Inhabitants of this towne & p[r]synct of the same as hit ys ther declared & ordered booth by the said Jurors & the cōsent of the said the right honorable therle of Darbie Save that wher they by the said order [are] to paie for everie poule [*i.e.*, poll or head] iiij[d] not aboue they shall nowe & from & after the feast of all saynts [Nov. 1] paie for everie pson vj[d] & not aboue ether scecretly of [*sic* for or] apartly sub pena for every pson so offendinge agaynst the said order to [pay] for forfett for every tyme vj[s] viij[d]

And ffurther the Jurie doith nowe order that no pson Inhabitinge w[th]in this [towne] of Manchestr & the p[r]synct [there]of beinge requested to anye weddinge dynner fourth of the towne shall paie at the same aboue vj[d] sub pena vj[s] viij[d]

The Jurie doith also order that yf annye pson [who] shall make or take to make annye weddinge dynner w[th]in this towne or the Liberties of the same shall take aboue vj[d] for a poule [*i.e.*, poll or head] shall forfett for everie [time] so offendinge xx[s]

[1] See p. 94.

The Jurie doith order that wheras ther ys an order made by the Jurie in Anno vicessimo quarto [1582][1] towchinge Inmates & for the avoydinge of strange beggars & women gotten w^th^ child & cominge vnto vs fourth of other places wher w^th^ the towne ys verie sore pestered & burthened Inconsideracõnn wherof the Jurie doith nowe order that the said order shalbe in ffull force accordinge to effecte of the same & that the said psons appointed in said order shall see the same executed accordinge to the same.

The Jurie doith order that wheras gret vnconvenyence ys in this towne in that se[ngle] women beinge vnmaried be at ther owne hands and doe backe & brewe & vse other tr[ades] to the great hurte of the poore Inhabitants havinge wieffe & children As also in abu[sing] them selves w^th^ yonge men & others havinge not anny man to controle them to the gret Dishonor of god and Evell ensample of others Inconsideraconn wherof the Jurie doith order that noe sengle woman vnmaried shalbe at ther owne hands or kepe anny housse or chamber w^th^in this towne after the feast of the nativitie of our Lorde next [Dec. 25] sub pena vj^s^ viij^d^ & Imprisonment at the discretione of the Steward Bororeve & constables.

And further that [if] annye Sengle woman shall sell anny ale or bred or annye cõmodite by anny device or collutione to the hurte of the poore inhabitants & howseholders of this towne After the feast of all saynts [Nov. 1] sub pena to forfet the said bred ale & all other cõmodities so to be sould or set asale [*i.e.* on sale] & ffurther to be punyshed as abousaid.

The Jurie doith order that wheras ther ys gret Disorder & vnquyetnes cõmytted w^th^in this towne by mastives bane doges[2] & bytches that goe abroad in the towne not only to the gret dysquietnes of all the Inhabitants But also to the gret Danger of all the quenes people ther goods & chatteles Inconsideracõnn wherof the Jurie doith nowe order that from & after the feast of S^t^ lucke [Oct. 18] no mastive bane doge or bitch of mastive aboue the age of vj^t^ monthes shall goe abrode Loose w^th^in this towne vnles the sayde Doges & bitches be well & sufficiently musled so as the said dogs & bitches maye not hurte annye of the quenes subiects ther goods & chatteles sub pena for everie pson so offendinge in sufferinge the saide doges or bitches to goe abroad vnmusled as aforsaid to forfete for everie tyme so offendinge ij^s^

[1] See p. 227. [2] See p. 72.

The Jurie doith order that wheras ther ys an order made concerninge weights and measurs & that ther ys some money gathered by the myse gathere[r]s for the byinge of the said weights [&] measurs Therfor the Jurie doith further order that the said myse gathere[r]s shall make ther accounts & đđ [deliver] the said money & the bookes to the Bororeve now beinge & that they Bororeve shall delivere the said bookes to the myse gather[er]s now appointed and that the said myse gather[er]s shall see the said money vnreceved to be gathered & ther vppon to delivere all suche money to the said Bororeve as they shall receue wth the name of all suche as shall refusse to paie the said money & the said Bororeve to see the said money bestowed accordinge to the said order.

[Manchester. — Oct., 1584.][1]

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1584. Noia officie Bille Manc.

Burrow Reve	Georgius Proudelove Jur̃ ad exequeñ officiñ[2]
Catchepolle	Johnes Reynshall [Renshaw] Jur̃
Constabuł	Humfridus Haughton, Richardus Nugente } Jur̃
Marketlokers for Corne... ...	Johnes witton, Johnes Birche at Croke, Ranulphus Massye, Ricus Halywell } Jur̃
Marketlokers for ffishe and ffleshe	Robtus Wharmebie, Thomas Hilton } Jur̃
Myselayers	Henricus Pendilton, Thomas Goodyeare } Jur̃
Mysegatherers	Ricus Hurste, Georgius Holte } Jur̃
Sealers of Leather	Nichus Mosse, Johnes Sympson, Radus Rodley } Jur̃
Marketlokers for whitmeate in y^e Marketstidlane & in y^e old Marketstiddes...	Nichus worsley, Johnes brucke Jur̃
Marketlokers for whitmeate in the Mylnegate	Jacobus bordman Jur̃, xpoferus killner
Marketlokers for whitmeate in the Deanesgate	Johnes Postles, Thomas blomeley } Jur̃
Marketlokers for whitmeate in Huntesbancke	Radus bordmā
Marketlokers for whitmeate in the withingreave	Robtus Hilton, Robtus Holland Jur̃
Officers for holesome breade ...	Johnes woode, Thoms Morrisse } Jur̃

[1] A leaf is here missing, on which would be the exact date of this Court, and the names of the Jury.

[2] Sworn to execute the office.

Aletasters	Jacobus Bradshawe Johnes Hoape	Jur.
Birlamen for the Marketstidd lane	Thomas Brounsward Richard Brooke Jur.	
Birlamen for Deansgate and S^{t} Marie gate	John Gee James Glover	Jur.
Bylamen for withingreave hanginge dich & fenelstreete ...	John Tetlowe ffrancs Hough x^{a} [1] John wharmbye	
Bylamen for Milnegate and Todlane	M^{r} Robte Langley Georg [John crossed out] Dowson	Jur.
Bylamen for Huntsbancke ...	John Eastwood Jur.	
Skevingers for Marketstide Lane	Raphe Jepson william Hunt	Jur.
Skevingers for Deansgate ...	John Greenhaughe Thomas Swarland	Jur.
Skevingers for Todlane, ffenelstreete and withingreaue ...	James Radclif John Bamfford Thomas wyhall	Jur.
Skevingers for the Hanginge diche and Mealgate	Ric^{d} Hanson Thomas Harison	Jur.
Skevingers for both marketstidds	John Radclif Henrie worall xpōfor Downes	Jur.
Skevingers from the boothes to the Smithidore	Edward Cunclif John warburton	Jur.
Skevingers for S^{t} Marye gate ...	Thomas Chadderton George Chourton	Jur.
Skevingers for Mylnegate ...	John Dowson James Marshall	Jur.
Officers for frutes	Ric^{d} Addlington Oliver Mosse	Jur.
Prysers	George Romsden Jur. w^{m} Reade senior x^{a} [1]	
Officers for makinge cleane y^{e} marketstidds	vxor phillipp Bexwike Otiwell Thorpe	Jur.
Afferors of y^{e} Courte	Robte Langley gent George Birch Robte Hardye Rodger Bexwike	Jur.

[1] Probably fined 10^{s} for non-attendance, or for not taking up the office and being sworn.

The Jurie dothe presente that Edward Hanson[1] ys depted since the laste Courte and that Richard Hanson is his sonne and heire and is to do his service, Jur̃ est &c et deliber̃ pugionem.

yt is p'sented to the Jurie that vppon S^t^ Mathewe [Sept. 21] daie beinge the faire daie[2] theare was an assault made & weapon drawen w^th^in the Church yarde, y^e^ Constables hadd the pties before hime [them] but hath made no presentment vnto the Jurye.

The Jurie doth order that Henrie Gee shall so keepe his priuie adioyninge to the backside of the house of Hughe Oldam that yt shalnot be noisome to the saide Hughe & the same to be donne before all saints [Nov. 1] nexte sub pœna v^s^.....*factum est.*

The Jurie doth order that Thomas Becke or anie of his servants shall so keepe their priuies adioininge to the house wherin John witton and Robte Bridghouse do now dwell that the same privies be not noisome to the saide John and Robte and the same to be done before all Saints nexte sub pœna v^s^

Also the like order to be kepte by James woodd and willme Strenghfellowe of their privies in their gardins sub pœna v^s^..... *non est factum.*

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[1] Edward Hanson was a mercer and grocer in Manchester, and had been elected Boroughreeve of the town 4th October, 1569 (see p. 127). His will, dated 17th July, 1584, and proved at Chester 21st August in that year, contains much family history. To his daughter, Elizabeth, he bequeaths his houses and land near Collyhurst for her life. All the lands he had purchased in Manchester he bequeathed to Richard Hanson, his son and heir, with remainder to Edward Hanson, son and heir of the said Richard, and his heirs male, with remainder to the heirs male of the said Richard, remainder to George Hanson, brother of the testator, and his heirs male. He also names his daughter, Elizabeth Wirrall, wife of Francis Wirrall, and their daughter, Elizabeth; his brother, William Hanson, Isabel Hanson, daughter of the said William; Elizabeth Hanson, daughter of his (the testator's) son, Richard. Robert Hanson, of Ratchdall, and Richard Hanson, of Halifax, are also mentioned, as is "my brother-in-law, Anthony Forrest," Thomas Birch, *alias* Orchard, and Alice, his wife, and Miles Birch, his son. Legacies are left to William, son of William Hanson, Abraham and Edward, sons of George Hanson, and to Elizabeth, the testator's daughter, "a mantell and a wygan gowne" are bequeathed. He appoints "my brother, George Hanson, and my brother-in-law, Ralph Birch, *alias* Orchard," his executors. There is a list of debts due to the testator, among which is this entry:—William Napton, William Woodcocke, and Thomas Sawell, citizens and grocers of London, oweth me for six packs of Cottons at x^li^ xv^s^ a packe, the sum of 64^li^ x^s^." The inventory of the goods in his shop and house in Manchester is a long document, apprised 18th August, 1584.

[2] On the 19th August, 11th Henry III., 1227, the King granted to Robert Gresley, lord of the manor of Manchester, that he might have a fair there, yearly, for three days, viz., on the eve, the day and the morrow of St. Matthew the Apostle. This is the fair named in the text, St. Matthew's day being the chief fair day.

The Jurie doth order that Robte Hulme gent[1] and Thomas Goodier shall so keepe and laie their tymber in y^e^ Churchyard that the water maie haue passage and the streete made cleane & the same to be doone before the feaste of all Saints [Nov. 1] nexte and so kept from tyme to time sub pœna either of them v^s^

And also the saide Robte Hulme gent shall cause the streete to be made cleane before his newe house & so keepe it cleane sub pœna xij^s^

The Jurie doth further p^r^sent that theare was a braule made and blood drawen vppō the wachmen the Constables hadd the ꝑties before them that made the braule and haue made no p^r^sentments therefore wee p^r^sent them to haue beene necligēt [negligent] in doinge their dutie.

[1] See p. 248.

Manchestr [15th April, 1585.]

Cur cu[m] Visu ffranc pleg tent ibm die Jovis prox̄ post ffestū Pasche videt Decimoquinto die mens̄ Aprilis Anno Regni Dñe Elizabeth dei gr̄a Anglie ffrauncie et Hibnie Regine fidei Defensor &c. vicesimo septimo [1585] p̄ Ricum̄ Swingelhirst gen̄ Scen̄ eiusdm Cur̄ &c.

Inquic̄o capt̄ p̄ Sacr̄	Georgii Birche gen̄	Jur̄	Adami Byrom
	Ric̄i Hunte gen̄		Radi Proudluffe
	Radi Byrom gen̄		Robti Siddall
	Adami Pilkinton gen̄		Robti Cloughe
	Johnnis Radclyffe		Ranulphi Massye
	Henrici Gee		Jacobi Lancashyre
	Johnnis Birche		Henrici Adamson
	Willmi Hardie		et Robti Rodley
	Thome Byrom		

The Jurie doth p̄sent Richarde Shalcrosse[1] to haue p̄chased of Raphe Radfforde, and Margaret Johnson certen lands & teñtes [tenements] lyenge in the Deanesgate and Mealegate and hangingdiche and payeth to y^e^ lorde of this manor for y^e^ same landes iij^s^ by yeare and ys to doe his service for y^e^ same landes due & accustomed.

The Jurie doth present y^t^ Willm Orrell gent̄[2] hath come in at this Courte, and was sworne beffore M^r^ Stewarde and y^e^ offycers of y^e^ same Courte to y^e^ lord of y^e^ Manor. Jur̄ est fecitq̄ fidelitat̄ et admissus est tenens.

The Jurie doth present that John Devias of Sale w^th^in the Countie of Chest^r^, beinge ympotent and blynde, and not able to doe his service vnto y^e^ Lord of this Manor by Reason of the same Inffirmitie, hath come vnto this Courte and hathe given over his Burgage and landes vnto his sonne John Devias in open Courte beffore M^r^ Steward & the officers of y^e^ same Courte, Thereffore we present y^e^ same John Devyas to be of laweffull yeares, and ys to doe his sute & service for y^e^ same lands as hath bene accustomed. Jur̄ est &c.

[1] See p. 125. [2] See p. 235, &c.

The Jurye Doth present that Robte Hulme gent[1] ys depted synce y^e^ last courte & Raphe Hulme ys his sonne and heire & at laweffull age, and ys to doe his sute & service due and accustomed to y^e^ lord of y^e^ manor, Jur̃ est fecitq̃ fidelitatē et admissus est tenens.

The Jury doth p̃sent y^t^ George Travysse[2] ys depted synce y^e^ last Courte, and that George Travisse ys his sonne & heire and att Lawefull age and ys to doe his sute and service due and accustomed to y^e^ lord of this Manor.

The Jurie doth present that Thomas Harryson ys depted synce y^e^ last Courte, and did hold his landes in the Right of Elizabeth his wyffe,[3] and thereffore we present y^e^ said Elizabeth to be heire for y^e^ same, and paieth to y^e^ lord for y^e^ same burgage and lands xij^d^ by yeare, And further y^e^ said Elizabeth hath brought into this Courte her sonne and heire, Robte Harryson and ys contented that he shall doe suche sute & service as ys due to y^e^ lord of this Manor, and that he shalbe heyre, and haue and enioye all suche lands & Burgages aft^r^ her death for eū Thereffore we present the said Robte Harryson to be at Laweffull age and ys to come into y^e^ Courte and doe his service and duetie for y^e^ same landes due and accustomed. Jur̃ est facend serviciū suū fecitq̃ fidelitatē, et admissus est tenens post mortē matris sue.[4]

The Jurie doth order y^t^ whereas there is an ord^r^ beffore in this booke made in A° xxiiij^o^ of y^e^ quenes Ma^tie^ [1582][5] that those p̃sons y^t^ doe take into theire houses any Inmake or straunger not borne nor Inhabitinge w^th^in this towne by the space of certeyne yeares accordinge to y^e^ statutes and lawes of y^le^ Realm in that case p̃vided, And also sufferinge certeyne hoares & other notorious offenders w^th^in theire houses, contrary to y^e^ same order for y^e^ w^ch^ in y^e^ same

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[1] Robert Hulme, gentleman, the representative of a family long settled in Manchester, was the son and heir of Stephen Hulme, by his wife Alice, daughter and co-heir of Robert Labrey or Laborer, of Manchester. He married Anne, daughter and co-heir of Robert Holt, of Ashworth, gentleman, by whom he had a son and heir, Ralph Hulme, named in the text, and possibly other issue. He died 29th December, 1584, and was buried at the Collegiate Church on 31st December, 1584, being described in the Register simply as "Robert Hulme, of Newton." His Inquisition *post mortem* was taken in 1585.

[2] This George Travis purchased a house and premises in Deansgate from Sir Edmund Trafford, Knt., 19th December, 1568, and by his will, dated 3rd December, 1584, bequeathed them to his son and heir, George Travis. The latter sold them in 1598, and in 1601, George Travis, of Manchester, clothier, and Elizabeth, his wife, are mentioned as letting land in Manchester.

[3] Elizabeth Harrison was the daughter and heiress of Richard Blomeley, whose death was reported at the Court held 4th October, 1559. (See p. 47.)

[4] He was sworn, and did his service, and made his fealty, and was admitted tenant after the death of his mother.

[5] See p. 227.

order, y^e^ householders haue incurred the payne for eu̅ye tyme xx^s^, we y^e^ Jurye afforesaid w^th^ one consent doth ord^r^, that y^e^ same ord^r^ shall frō hencefurthe stand & Remayne & be in fforce, And further we ord^r^ that yf any suche household^r^ doe not avoide suche p̄sons accordinge to y^e^ same ord^r^, That frō hencefurthe the landlord or lord of y^e^ same house havinge warninge thereof by the stewarde or Constables of this towne that they haue suche A tenante that doth suffer such Inmakes, and notorious p̄sons in their howses, and y^e^ landlords doe not give y^e^ said tenants warninge to avoide his lands, and doe his indevo^r^ and best he can to avoide y^e^ same tenante w^th^in six moneths aft^r^ y^e^ same ord^r^ Then we ord^r^ that the same landlord or lord of y^e^ same house or teñte, shall incurre y^e^ payne for eu̅ye six moneths sufferinge y^e^ same tenante dwellinge there havinge suche warninge xx^s^

The Jurie doth order y^t^ John Renshall shall make his hedge laweffull, betwixte his garden, and y^e^ gardyn of Ric̄ Adlington that y^e^ same Richarde be not hurte by the said John Renshall and y^e^ same to be done by Maye daye nexte and so kepte from tyme to tyme sub pena for eu̅y tyme iij^s^ iiij^d^

The Jurye doth ord^r^ that Robte Buckley shall so make vpp his house end and gutter end towards the house of Richard Hunte gent,[1] and betwixte Henry Hardie & hym in suche ord^r^ as yt be not hurtefull nor noysome to y^e^ saide Richard Hunte, and y^e^ same to be done at or before y^e^ feast daye of Pentecost next and so keepe y^e^ same frō tyme to tyme sub pena vj^s^ viij^d^

The Jurye doth order y^t^ where there was an ord^r^ made at y^e^ last Leete, that James Wood and Willm Strengfelow should so haue kept theire privies in theire gardens, that they should not be noysome to theire neighbors, And for as muche as y^e^ same privies be noysom to Henry Gee, and not kept as they ought [to] be, Wee ffynde the same James Wood and Willm Strengffelow to haue incurred eith^r^ of theym the penaltie of v^s^, And furth^r^ we ord^r^ that y^e^ same James and Willm shall Remove y^e^ same privies awaye beffore y^e^ ffeast of Penticost next, and sett theym so, that they shall not be noysom to y^e^ same Henry Gee, and y^e^ same to be done and so kept frō tyme to tyme sub pena for eu̅y tyme vj^s^ viij^d^ [In the margin:—*James Wood factum est; william stenkfelowe* (sic) *non est factum*].

And furth^r^ the Jurye doth ord^r^ that Robte Blomeley shall Remove that p̄te, or so muche of his swynecote, as ys sett vnd^r^ the

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[1] See p. 158.

seuall [severall][1] of y^e^ house of y^e^ same Henry Gee, And y^e^ same to be done beffore y^e^ feast of Penticost next and so kept from tyme to tyme sub pena euy tyme v^s^.....*non est factum.*

The Jury doth order that all the orders heretofore made concerninge the Conducte [conduit] shall stand and be in effecte, And we ord^r^ and make James Bradshall and John Sympson offycers to see y^e^ same orders put in execucon, for washinge of clothes, or dressinge of Calves heades, or scowre any vessells, or any meates of beastes, and that y^e^ same offycers shall p'sent y^e^ names of those psons that offend contrary to y^e^ same orders.

The Jurye doth p'sent James Barlow to haue inclosed vpon the cōmon of Colyhurst to y^e^ value of viij Acres or thereabouts by estimacon.

The Jurye doth order, that all orders heretofore made concning the good gounemente of the towne, as well concerninge watchmen concerninge Rescous [rescues], or takinge pledges of straungers for brau^lls^ or other abuses to stand and Remayne in full fforce, And we y^e^ Jurors doe request M^r^ Steward & the rest of y^e^ offycers in [the case of those in] whom y^e^ faultes doe Remayne vnpresented and vnpunished, to see y^e^ same put in execucon.

Tes^p^ CAROLO LEIGH
ctico Cur^i^ ibm.

[The next leaf contains some entries as to the paying over of sums of money by the old Constables to their successors, printed on p. 261.]

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[1] A "several" was an enclosed piece of ground, see p. 202, but this meaning does not seem to apply in this particular case.

Manchestr [7th Oct., 1585.]

Cur cu[m] Visu franc pleg Johnis Lacye ar̃ dñi de Manchestr Manñii sui ibm tent apd Manchestr in Com̃ Lanc̃ die Jovis vidz Septimo die Octobris Anno Regni dñe Elizabeth dei gr̃a Anglie ffrancie et Hibnie Regine fidei defensor &c. Vicesimo septimo [1585] p Ricum̃ Swingelhirst geñ Scenlm eiusd Cur̃.

Inquisic̃o capt p Sacr̃m	Robti Langley geñ	Jur̃	Robti Hardie
	Georgii birche		Thome Goodyeare
	Richardi Hunte		Rogeri Bexwicke
	Thome becke		Radi Sorocold
	Henrici Pendilton		Robti Syddall
	Henrici Gee		Ranulphi Massye
	Anthonii Mossley		Adami Oldham
	Johnis byrche		et Robti Cloughe
Burroreve			Raphe Serocold Jur̃
Catchpolle			John Chollerton Jur̃
Constables			George Proudlove John Gee drap̃ [draper] } Jur̃
Marketlokers for corne			James Marshall Rychard Hanson Nichas Mosse James Marler carpentr } Jur̃
Marketlokers for ffishe & ffleshe.			John Wharmebye James Hilton } Jur̃
Myselayers			George Byrche Henry Gee } Jur̃
Mysegatherers			Willm Awyn Thomas Hilton butcher } Jur̃
Scalers of Leather			Robte Rodley Edmũde Pyecrofte James Bradshaw } Jur̃
Marketlokers for whitmeate in ye marketstidlane & old marketstid			Rychard brucke Edward Ellor } Jur̃ Bristoll[1]

[1] I think this means that Edward Ellor was then at Bristol, and so could not be sworn.

Marketlokers for whitmeate in the Mylnegate...	Ambrose Bibbye Jur̃ Leonard Potter nō est domi[1]
Market lookers for whitte meate in y[e] densgate...	Thomas Jepfersonne Edmunde Leese } Jur̃
Marketlookers for whitmeate in huntsbanke	John Cowpe Jur̃
Market lookers for whitmeate in withingreave	ffrances houghe Roberte Ouldam } Jur̃
Officers for holesome breade ...	william Barlowe Roberte Siddall } Jur̃
Aletasters	James Lancashyre James Glover } Jur̃
Bylawemen for Marketstidlawne	Henery Pendiltonne Roberte Cloughe } Jur̃
Bylawmen for densgate and S[t] Marigate and bothe market-stiddes...	M[r] william Radcliffe Anthony Sheparde M[r] Thomas Becke Raphe Shelmerdine } Jur̃
Bylawemen for withingreave hanging ditche & fenell streete	Rycharde Mortonne Adam hoape John Bamforthe } Jur̃
Bylawmen for Milnegate and Todelawne	John Dowsonne non est domi[1] John Leese Jur̃
Bylawmen for hu[n]tsebanke ...	Charles Ducket Jur̃
Skevingers for Marketstidde Lawne...	Thomas Brownsworth Rycharde Broocke } Jur̃
Skevingers for densgate ...	John Gee Jur̃ Simon Mallon Chestrie[2]
Skevingers for S[t] mary gate ...	Roberte Marshall John Ashtonne } Jur̃
Skevingers for Todelawne fenell streete and withingreave ...	Roberte Hiltonne Hughe Thorpe Roberte Ouldam } Jur̃
Skevingers for hanging diche and Milnegate	George Traves Thomas Morres } Jur̃
Skevingers for bothe marketstidds	Raphe Gee Jur̃ Roberte Barlowe Henery Ouldhame Jur̃
Skevingers frō boothes dore to the smythy dore	John Byllinge Adam Rodley } Jur̃

[1] He was not at home.

[2] Probably meaning that he was then at Chester, and so was not sworn with the others.

Skevingers for the Milnegate ...	Rodger Bexwicke Anthony Mosley	Jur̃
Officers for frutes	Thomas Wrighte Oliver Mosse	Jur̃
praysers	George Romsden william Reade senior	Jur̃
Officers for makinge cleane the marketstidds	Otiwell Thorpe vx̃ Phill[i]ppe Bexwicke	Jur̃
Skevingers for y^e^ huntesé banke	Raphe Downe Jur̃	
Afferers of the Courte	John Byrche Jur̃ Thomas Goodier Jur̃ Henery Gee Jur̃ Adame Ouldhame Jur̃	

Qui Jur̃ presentant quod est vna equa coloris white grey somethinge fflayebitten etatis septem Annor̃ sive plus que veniebat infra hanc Villã̃ vt extra hura O[c]tavo die mensis Junii Anno Regni Dñe re^ne^ Elizabeth nunc̃ &c xxvj^o^ precii xxvj^or^ et Octo denarior̃ et remansit in Custodia Balli vell Scen̄^li^ p̄ spacium vnius Anni et vnius diei post tres p̄clamitiones p̄ tres seperalles dies fact̃ scdm forma Statuti Jdeo p̄prietas eiusdem Eque est in dño huius Man̄ii.[1]

The Jurye dothe presente that M^r^ John Grenehoughe off Brandlesumme[2] hathe come to this Courte and done his duti accordinge to Order set downe hearetofore made and was sworne in o^r^ presence before M^r^ Stewarde.

The Jury dothe presente y^t^ Edmund Diconsonne of the Mosse side is dep̄ted since the last courte daye and y^t^ Mi[c]hell Diconsonne is his sonne and nexte heire and at Lawfull adge and payethe to the lorde of this Maner by yeare for one halfe Burgage and one roodelande of grounde vj^d^ Jur̃ est dño fecitq̃ fidelitatē et deliber ffeodar pugionē prīs p̄ herioto.[3]

The Jurye dothe presente y^t^ George worrall is dep̄ted since the last Courte and the saide George Died sceased of ij halfe burgages in the milnegate and by his laste will and Testamente[4] did bequeathe

[1] The which Jury present that there is a certain mare of a white grey colour "something flay bitten," seven years of age or more, which came within this town, out of hours, on the 8th of the month of June, in the year of the lady the Queen Elizabeth, that now is, the 26th [1584], being of the value of 26s. 8d., and it remained in the custody of the Bailiff or Steward for the space of one year and a day, after three prcolamations made on three separate days according to the form of the Statute. Therefore the ownership of the said mare is [now] in the lord of this manor.

[2] See p. 235, &c.

[3] He was sworn to the lord and did his fealty, and delivered to the Feodary his father's dagger as a heriot.

[4] This will is not now preserved at Chester.

the saide twoe halfe burgages beinge nowe iiij^{or} tenements or cottages devidinge the same tenements or Cottages one of them to his sonne henery worrall one other of the same Tenements to his sonne ffraunces worrall and ij of the same tenements to George worrall his Sonne and to the heires of theire bodies for eu̅ out of whiche twoe burgages theire is payde to the lord of this maner by yeare xij^{d}

And further y^{e} Jurie doth p̅sente y^{e} saide Henry worall and ffrauncis worall to be of laweffull age and y^{e} saide George worall to be wthin age.

The Jurye dothe Order y^{t} wheare as a presentement is come to vs y^{t} Thomas Byrome hathe not Amended his paymente [pavement] anendes the house wherein Adam Wharmebye nowe dwellethe y^{t} the same thomas shall amende the same paymente [pavement] and cause [causeway] betwixte this and Martellmas [Nov. 11] nexte wth gravell and paye [pave] the same cause [causeway] betwixte this and nexte Leete Courte sub pena x^{s}

And allso wee order that Thomas Becke gentillman[1] shall amende the payment [pavement] that is broken aboute the Cundethe in like maner and Order sub pena x^{s}.....*fact.*

The Jurye dothe order y^{t} no straunger not Inhabitinge wthin this Towne shall bye anye apples or other frute before ix of the Clocke in the fore noone and y^{t} they shall not retayle any beinge boughte of the same daye and also doe order y^{t} no Inhabitor wthin y^{e} Towne shall bye any aples or other frute and doe sell them by whole sall of the same Daye or by any Color doe b[u]y any for any straunger sub pena wheare defaulte is made ether of the Inhabitor or straunger Contrarye to the true meaninge of this Order to forfeite the same Aples twoe parts of the same to the lorde of the Mannor and the thirde parte to those y^{t} shall finde the same.

The Jurye dothe Order y^{t} wheareas theare is An order hearetofore [made] in Anno Elizabeth vicessimo [1578][2] concerninge the good governemente and good behavioure of the watchemen y^{t} shall at any time watche for the service of the Quenes Maiestie or safetye of the towne and the same order to be red at eu̅ye Leete Courte we order y^{t} the same order shall stand in effecte and allso be red eu̅ye Leete Courte And further y^{t} the Cunstables shall geue the Watche men theare othe and in theire owne persons and in theire absence the[y] beinge owte of the towne or otherwise letten [hindered] by waightye

[1] See p. 144. [2] See p. 195.

affayres they and ether of them from time to time heareafter shall appoynte a sufficiente man suche a one as hathe borne the office of Cunstable before to geue the watchemen theire othe and chardge sub pena y^t^ they doe the contrarye x^s^

The Jurye dothe Order w^th^ one Consente and [a]greemente that the myslayers talkinge *(sic)* vnto them assistance of foure of the burgesses of the towne shall assesse and set downe the some of five poundes to buye and provide weightes and true measures to be longe to the towne and the sayd somme of five poundes to be gathered by the mysgatherers and the same to be delivered to the Burrereive to buy the same weightes and the same to be done before Candellmas [Feb. 2] nexte And we further Order that as well all those y^t^ occupie shoppes w^th^in this towne dwellinge oute of this towne shall beare and be assessed and paye theare money y^t^ they shall be assessed vnto as other the Inhabitants of this towne doe paye.

The Jurye dothe order that all they [the] orders hearetofore made as those y^t^ concerne inmacks as for watches for amendemente of payements [pavements] anends the dores as for swine goinge abrode in the streetes as fodderinge of horses in the market vnlawfull gammes drunkerdes liinge at ale houses and all other misorders [of] whiche anye order is made for amendemente and Reformationnes y^t^ the same orders shall stand and Remayne in force and [they] crave of Mr. Stewarde y^t^ the same Orders may be red in the Courte and put in executionne.

Mamcestr [7th April, 1586.]

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Cur cu[m] Visu franc pleg Johnis Lacye ar̃ dñi de Manchestr', manñii sui ibm tenr̃ apud Manchestr' in Com̃ Lanc die Jovis viz vijo die Aprilis Anno Regni dñe Elizabeth dei gr̃a Anglie, ffrancie, et Hibnie Regine fidei defensor &c. vicesimo octavo [1586] p Richardũ Swingelhirste gen̄ Scenescallũ ibm.

Inquisico capt̃ Ricĩ Hunte gen̄osi p̃mi[1] Jur̃
p Sacr̃m Thomas Becke gen̄ — Radi Proudelove
Johnis Gee senior — Roberti Syddall
Georgii Travisse — Roberti Cloughe
Henrici Gee — Ranulphi Massye
Thome Byrome — Adami Oldam
Roberti Hardie — Thome Goodyere
Adami Byrom — et Willmi Barlowe
} Jur̃ } Jur̃

Whereas there y^e^ an order made concerninge Weightes and measures to be made and boughte accordinge to y^e^ same order,[2] The same not beinge as yet pformed Wee thereffore order that y^e^ saide order made at y^e^ last Courte shalbe pformed, at or beffore y^e^ ffeaste of the Na^tie^ of S^t^ John Baptist [June 24] next ensuynge, And ffurther that the Myselayers to take vnto theym, theise ffoure psons hereafter named, to be aydinge and assistinge, for y^e^ layenge of y^e^ saide money to buye the saide Weightes, and measures, that ys to saye Thomas Goodyeare George Travisse, Roberte Hardye & Ryc̃ Typpinge, and this to be done sub pena vnto euye one, that dothe so offend therein x^s^

And ffurther y^e^ Jurye dothe order y^t^ the Marketlokers for the tyme beinge, shall haue y^e^ Custodye and charge of the said Weightes and measures, for the comodytie of y^e^ wholle towne of Manchester,

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[1] Richard Hunt, gentleman, Foreman of the Jury. This is the first time the foreman has been specially named.

[2] See p. 255.

and the Marketlokers for evye Weighte that ys tryed by theym, and sealed also accordinge to y^e^ standard, to haue and Receyve for the sealinge and allowinge thereof j^d^

The Jurye dothe ffynde that the standard halffe hoope[1] for meale ys broken and greatelye decayed, In consideracon whereof wee order that the same Measure shalbe so made newe Accordinge, as yt hathe bene ffullye heretofore vp heaped beinge now from henceffurthe strycken [*i.e.*, levelled], and all oth^r^ thinges that haue bene measured [or upheaped], shalbe measured frō hencefurthe by the lyke measure strycken, and this to be done & made by the Marketlokers, at or beffore y^e^ ffeast of Penticost nexte sub pena vj^s^ viij^d^ [In the margin :—respectuat^r^][2]

The Jurye dothe order that no Inhabitor, or any servaunte shall neyther washe nor scowre at y^e^ Condite nor in any streete w^th^in y^e^ towne of Manchester sub pena evye one so offendinge evye time xij^d^ And to be offycers for that purpose Thomas Becke & Henry Gee, and y^e^ skevingers in evye streete to psent y^e^ same.

The Jurye dothe presente that there ys A Bylande plowed vpp, by Anne Becke[3] widowe w^ch^ Bylande lyeth betwene y^e^ landes of o^r^ sovaigne Ladye the Quene, and A certen pcell of lande nowe in varyance, betwixte y^e^ saide Anne Becke widowe, and Thomas Becke gent[4] w^ch^ lande lyethe in A Closse called y^e^ Overackers, whereffore wee doe further order, that y^e^ same Bylande shalbe amended, or layde Downe by the saide Anne Becke widowe, or some one for her, as y^t^ hathe bene heretoffore, And this to be done, at or beffore y^e^ feaste daye of Phillippe and Jacob [May 1] next sub pena x^s^ [In the margin :—y^e^ ouer Ackers to be cōmon in winter.]

The Jurye doth presente that Henry Pendleton[5] late of Manchest^r^ ys depted synce y^e^ laste Courte, and that ffrauncys Pendleton is his sonne and nexte heyre, and ys within age.

The Jurye dothe also presente that John Byrche[6] ys depted synce the last Courte, and that George Byrche ys his sonne and heire and ys within age.

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[1] That is, the half peck measure.

[2] Let it be respited.

[3] Probably the widow of Nicholas Beck (see p. 226). [4] See p. 144.

[5] Henry Pendleton was the son and heir of Francis Pendleton, of Manchester, merchant, whose death in 1574 has already been noticed in these Records. (See p. 167.) He married Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Marler, of Manchester, goldsmith (see p. 233), by whom he had an only son, Francis, his son and heir. He was buried at the Collegiate Church on 24th January, 1585[-6]. His will, if he made any, is not now preserved at Chester.

[6] There were several families of the name of Birch settled in Manchester, no doubt descended from the family of Birch, of Birch Hall, in Rusholme, of which a very full pedigree is extant. The John Birch named in the text has not been clearly identified.

The Jurye dothe also presente That George Pendleton[1] ys departed synce y^e^ laste Courte, and that Cycelye wyffe vnto John Croxton gen^t^ ys his daughter and nexte heire, and ys at lawfull age.

The Jurye dothe presente that Edwarde Bowker[2] ys depted synce the last Courte, and that Geffrey Bowker ys his sonne and heire, and of what age wee knowe not.

The Jurye doth also presente That there ys A Dungehill, latelye layde in the Mylners lane by Anthonye Mossley,[3] and his Assignes That ys very noyesome to neighboures. Whereffore wee order that y^e^ same shalbe so kepte and Removed, that y^t^ be no more noysome neyther to y^e^ highewaye, nor neighboures, And ye same to be done, and kepte from tyme to tyme, so longe as yt dothe Remayne there, and to be Removed at or beffore y^e^ ffeaste day of S^t^ Michaell tharchangell [Sept. 29] nexte ensuynge sub pena x^s^.....*non est factum.*

The Jurye dothe ffynde that y^e^ pavem^t^ in the Marketstidlane anendste y^e^ howses of Rychard Gee, Thomas Byram, and Cycelye Pendleton widowe[4] ys broken, and not as yet paved, whereffore we order that y^e^ same shallbe amended and paved, at or beffore y^e^ ffeaste daye of S^t^ Michaell nexte [Sept. 29] sub pena eūye one so offendinge vj^s^ viij^d^.....*factum est.* [In the margin:—[A] Daye is given in respect of y^e^ ill weather till Purificacon [Feb. 2] nexte vpō payne conteyned in this ord^r^ 6° Octobris 1586].

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[1] George Pendleton, of Manchester, linen draper, was the eldest son and heir of Thomas Pendleton, of Manchester, whose will is dated 9th April, 1534, and brother of Edward Pendleton, D.D., Vicar of Eccles from 1559 to his death in 1576, and of Francis Pendleton, of Manchester, merchant, whose death in 1574 has been already referred to in these Records (see p. 167). He married Alice, daughter of Edward Gee, of Manchester, by whom he had an only surviving daughter and heir, Ciceley Pendleton, who married for her first husband John Croxton, son and heir of William Croxton, of Ravenscroft, co. Chester, gentleman, by whom she had issue. He died *c.* 1598, and his widow married secondly Robert Mainwaring, a younger son of Henry Mainwaring, of Carincham, co. Chester, Esq. George Pendleton made his will 15th May, 1585, and it was proved at Chester the same year. He desired to be buried in Jesus Chapel, in the Collegiate church "where my children doe lye," and was there interred on 9th February, 1585[-6], being described in the Register as "George Pendleton, clothier." He mentions Alice his wife, his daughter Ciceley Croxton, his son-in-law Mr. John Croxton, and appointed his nephew Henry Pendleton (who, however, predeceased him, see p. 257), and his brother-in-law Henry Gee to be supervisors of his will, Alice, his wife, being sole executrix. His widow, Alice, survived him a few years; her will, dated 1588, and proved at Chester 31st July, 1591, has been printed by the Chetham Society (*Lanc. & Ches. Wills*, ij., 218). She leaves many legacies to her own family, the Gees.

[2] The Bowker, or Booker family, was one long settled in Manchester. There are many entries relating to them in the Registers, and at Chester there are some eight or nine wills of members of that family from the parish of Manchester, between 1545 and 1620, but the will of Edward Bowker, named in the text, does not appear to be now there.

[3] See p. 182. [4] See p. 167, note 4.

The Jurye dothe ffynde That there are dyuse breaches in the stretes and Cawseys, for wante of pavinge w^th^in y^e^ streetes of the Towne of Manchester whereffore y^e^ Jurye dothe order That all such breaches shalbe paved and amended at or beffore y^e^ ffeaste of S^t^ Michaell nexte sub pena euye one so offendinge agaynste his owne lande iij^s^ iiij^d^

And further wee order that the Skevingers in every streete shall present the same Deffaultes, at the nexte Courte sub pena euye one offendinge iij^s^ iiij^d^.....*non est factum.*

The Jurye dothe order that no butcher or other pson, shall buye any ffleshe ffishe or any other victuall within the Towne of Manchest^r^, by grosse, and doe sell the same by Retayle the same daye vppon payne of euye one so offendinge x^s^

The Jurye dothe ffynde that Roberte Barlowe smythe hathe sett his water Course that cometh from his stable, and also his water from his Backsyde vppon the Orcharde of John Tetlowe, and drowneth y^e^ same vpp contrarye to y^e^ olde course, whereffore wee order y^t^ the same water Course be turned, so that y^e^ same [come not] vnto y^e^ saide Orcharde, and the same to be done at or beffore Midsom̃ daye [June 24] nexte, by the saide Roberte Barlowe or his assignes and so kepte from tyme to tyme sub pena x^s^.....*factum est.*

The Jurye dothe order That John Witton shall kepe the kayes of the Condite,[1] and to vnlocke the same at Six a clocke in the Mornynge, and to Locke yt vpp at Nyne in the evenynge betwene S^t^ Michaell [Sept. 29] and Annũciacõn of Marye [March 25], And from the Annũciacõn, till the feaste of S^t^ Michaell to vnlocke the same at Six a clocke in the mornynge, and yt so to contynewe open till Nyne the same forenoone, and then to locke yt vpp till three in the afternoone And at Three to be opened & so to contynewe till six, and then to locke yt vpp till six in the morninge, accordinge to an Auncyente order made in Anno dm̃ 1536.[2]

The Jurye dothe order that no butter or suett shalbe putt in Cakes[3] from and nexte after the xx^th^ of this present Aprill sub pena euye one so offendinge for euye tyme x^s^ And officers to be sworne for the same we make John Johnson tayler James Radclyffe, Henry

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[1] This is the first time the *keys* of the Conduit have been referred to.

[2] This is the earliest authentic date which has so far been met with in connection with the Conduit. It was probably erected early in the 16th century, but the exact date is uncertain. (See p. 15.) It would be of interest to recover the terms of this "ancient order" of 1536.

[3] See pp. 69, 72, 77, and 161.

wirrall & Roberte Jannye to see y^e^ same executed & pfformed, And yf any of these psons Reffuse to be sworne to see this ord^r^ executed then euye one so offendinge to forfeyte xx^s^

And that vppon sufficiente warninge that they doe come to M^r^ Stewarde to be sworne to execute theire office vntill the Leete at Michas [Michaelmas] nexte, beffore y^e^ xiiij^th^ of this present Aprill

M^d^ that the said offycers were sworne beffore M^r^ Steward the xiij^th^ of Aprill 1586.

Teste CAROLO LEIGHE
Clico Cur ibm

The Jurye dothe order that all the orders heretoffore made, aswell those that concerne Inmakes, watches, amendment of pavementes anends the doores, as also for swyne goynge abroade in the streetes, ffodderinge horses in the markett, vnlawfu[ll] gam̄es, drunckerds in Alehowses and all other mysorders, for w^ch^ any order ys made for amendm^t^ and Refformacon, that the same order shall stand and Remayne in fforce, and [they] crave of M^r^ Steward that the same orders may be putt in execuc̄on.

[End of the Court Leet Records in this Volume.]

[CONSTABLES' ACCOUNTS.][1]

A° dñi 1578. Richard Tippinge and Thoms Aynsworth Cunstables came and made ther Accompte to Rauffe Proudlove and Ric Moreton ther Successors accordinge to an order made before[2] and delyvered into y^er^ [their] hands the Sōme of vij^li^ viij^d^ [7s. 8d.] beinge money lefte in ther hands.

A° dñi 1579. Raphe Proudlove and Richard Moreton Cunstables came and made ther accompts to Raphe Sorocold and Thomas Brownsword ther Successors accordinge to an order made before and delyvered into ther hands the Some of viij^li^ vj^d^ [8s. 6d.] beinge money lefte in ther hands.

Anno domino 1582.[3] raphe sorocould and thomas brownsworth cunstables came and made ther accompts to th[e] Jury and th[e] towne Dyd rest in ther Dett xxiiij^li^ iiij^d^ [24s. 4d.].

M^d^ A° dñi 1582.[4] Thomas Goodyeare and Edward Hanson constables came and made theire Accompts to y^e^ Jurie, and there Remayned in theire hands w^ch^ was delyued to Henrie Pendilton constable, the sūme of vj^li^ ix^d^ [6s. 9d.]. Receved by me henry Pendylton by the handes of Edward hanssone late constabell the Sōme of vj^li^ viiij^d^ [6s. 9d.].

[MISCELLANEOUS NOTES ON THE END LEAVES OF THIS VOLUME.]

Mañcestre M^d^ that [the] holle ffyftene of the said Towne of Mācestre and the hamells [hamlets] cū hamella de Bulhaugh, dwe to the quenes Ma^tie^ at eny holle fyftene graunted ys the some of Thre powndes Seyven shyllyngs.[5]

M^d^ that the xxix^th^ Daye of November in the xiiij^th^ y[eare of] the Raigne of o^r^ Soueigne Ladye Elizabeth quene of England &c. [1571] That the ouplusse [overplus] of the fyftene then gathered by Edm^d^ nvgent and Thomes kynesworth beyng the some of Thruttene shyllyngs fowre pence Remaynethe in the handes of Robte Buckeley

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[1] See p. 250. [2] See p. 202.

[3] This account should have been made in 1580.

[4] This account should have been made in 1581.

[5] This and the next entry relate to the "subsidies" which were from time to time levied throughout England in order to supply the money necessary to carry on the affairs of the kingdom. A "fifteenth" of the rental was a common form of assessment.

one of the cõstables there for the vse of the chargs of y^e^ towne & to be accomptant to the steward & worshipfull of the Towne. Be [by] me Robart Buckley

100, 20, 15 [135 in all] leves in this Bocke and 4 letteres[1].....

The Jurie doth order that no maner of pson shall get aney Clay . . . .

Good orders made for Mariages by the consent of Edward Erle of Derbye, then highe stewarde of Manchest^r^, and the Burgesses Jurye and Inhabitants of the same towne vidz

Ap^d^ Cur') tent ibm in v^o^ Eliz [1563]
and in vij^o^ [1565][2] } two letters of my L. the erle of Derbye
in xvij^o^ [1575][3] } Eliz') to confyrme the same.
in xviij^o^ [1576][4] }
in xxiij^o^ [1581][5] }

An ord^r^ for 'svants [not] to be abroade in the nighte made in xv^o^ Eliz') [1573][6]

An order for the accoũpts of the constables to be maid every yeare anno in 20 Elizabeth [1578] to the next constables of th[e] monney levied of the towne.[7]

This booke begins 6 E 6 w^ch^ was 1552 & ends 1586.

[AMERCEMENTS IN 1566.][8]

The me^r^sements afferede [*i.e.*, assessed] bie the feayriers [affeerors] of the leait cowrt holden the 2 day of octobre a^o^ 1566

Rawfe Dowane fo^r^ afray made opon edward Kerver	8^d^
the said Rawfe for afray made opon thomas harreson	6^d^
John pa^r^teinton & Ric') p^r^estwiche ether of them 6^d^	12^d^
Rawfe sorrovcold she^r^mane for afray maid opon on chadwike...	2^s^
thomas Kerwe^r^ for afray maid opon phillipe Dolton	12^d^
wiłłm (?) hardie for a blod wipe that he gave John haghton ...	2^s^
John traves for afray made opon John wild	4^d^
thomas Kerwer fo^r^ streikeinge eles harreson in afray	4^d^
for 12 sheweyne [swine] that were not send to colliarst	12^d^
for 2 vnReingid schewyne of John wilson	2^d^

[1] Of these four letters, two only are now preserved, those printed on pages 115 and 146.

[2] See p. 94. [3] See p. 172. [4] See p. 177. [5] See p. 219. [6] See p. 159. [7] See p. 202.

[8] These entries are badly written, and difficult to decipher.

wiłłm Johnsons wife for not kepeing the stret clen afor her stepe. 2d
thomas sedall for sellinge vnlawfull motton 8d
James cheitame for not kepeing the stret clean in the milgat anest hes hous ... ... } 4d
laurran̄ withenton Ric̄ mourton george Ramsden adame Jonson george bolton Ric̄ havll [? havlt] for forstaleinge ... ... } 12d

george howrst 6d thomas batson thomas Reylle harre barker Ihone teilstle petter shalcrose ottiwell blowmelie Raufe chovr'ton hou shacloke Jhone prest for barkein horshe heids & shepes lether either of theme 4d shaw (?) howr'st . . . .
All the Alle houshes that ar in the towne ewrey of theme a peny (?) apeice.

[AMERCEMENTS IN 1567.]

The merceaments afferede bie the ffearrers [the affeerors] of the leit cowr't holdin the 3 of apreill a° 1567 in a° rẽ elisabethe nono

Iohne plat for afray maid opon edmond meyles 8d
Mr traffo'th ꝑvunt for gevinge a blod wipe to Mr wa'den ꝑvunt 12d
Iohn morres (?) for a blod wipe gevin to John plat 4d
Iohne spewe for a blod wipe gevin to gelles Ramsden ... ...
on goodriche for a blod wipe gevin to Stephen brown ... ...
gylles taberner for a blod wipe gevin to wm whytwo'r't ... ...
thomas gee for gevinge to John barraclovgh a blow ... ...
for 56 ale howe that sold ther all [ale] contrarie to o'der 8s 6d

totoles... ... ... 28s 8d

[CONSTABLES' ACCOUNTS, 1579-80.]

R̄ [Received] by vs Thomas browensword & Raffe Sorocowld Connstables ffor the Laste yere [*i.e.*, for 1579-80][1] as Ensuithe

Iꝑ R̄ at the hands of Ric̄ mortone & Raffe proudloue constables the yere beffor [1578-9][2] ... } viijs vjd [8s. 6d.]

Iꝑ R̄ [Received] in the Towen & hamells [hamlets] ther vnto belonging The some of ... ... } xvll iijs vjd [£15 3s. 6d.]

Some is xvll xijs [£15 12s.]

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[1] See p. 207. [2] See p. 198.

Itm paid by vs the Counstables afforsaid ffor the vse of the Towen as ensuithe

Itm paid To the hands of S^{r} Edmūd Trafford & M^{r} Edmūd assheton ffor the making of soldiars into Ireland	xvj^{li} [£16]
It^{m} paid ffor the cariage of Ric^{h} bordmā to Lancast^{r}...	vij^{s} vj^{d} [7s. 6d.]
Itm mor for the bringinge of M^{r} Leaver to Lancast^{r}...	iiij^{s} iiij^{d} [4s. 4d.]
It^{m} paid James Dunsture ffor the caridge of a woman being acutt purse to Lancast^{r}... ...	iiij^{s} vj^{d} [4s. 6d.]

Some is xvj^{li} xvj^{s} iiij^{d} [£16 16s. 4d.]

So that the Towen is in o^{r} Dett as apperethe by the accounte	xxiiij^{s} iiij^{d} [24s. 4d.]

Itm Rest vngathered w^{ch} wee could not R^{e} [Receive] of the Laie, Laid by M^{r} Robart Langley & george Birche as ensuithe

It^{m} in the Towen ... ... xj^{s} viij^{d} [11s. 8d.]

It^{m} ffor the hamell [hamlet] of mostone ... ... xxiiij^{s} [24^{s}]

RAFFE SOROCOWLD
THOMAS BROŪSWORD [BROWNSWORD]

th[e] 22 octob^{r} A^{o} 1563 . . . . n R . . . . p G birche.

m^{r} ste . . . . . for kepñg A đg hill [a dunghill] by p̄sētmētt xij^{d}
geo^{g} hurst iiij bindg lether y^{t} was not well tanned
Also m^{r} ste . . . . . & g̃ p̄dle did answer (?) for A do^{g}. . . . calfe sks [skins] y^{t} we p̄sented and forfeted.

for for-staling y^{e} m̄ket

thomas wrigley (?) wiff...	iiij^{d}
georg plat wiffe	iiij^{d}
Hugh Heton wiff...	iiij^{d}
David Halydee	iiij^{d}
thomas skoffeld	iiij^{d}

for makñg freyes

Rauph Sorocold for a ffray op^{n} a stranger (?) ... ... ij^{s}
Ryč ꝑstwych for afray oppō Ro. Rishll (?) ... ... xij^{d}
thomas Bordmā oppō wollatt ... ... xij^{d}
thomas Eckersall oppō M^{r} Bredbone m̄ket ... ... x^{s}

for keping ash . . . . chu[r]chye^{r}d

edmd golston (?) of Salford (?) ... ... xij^{d}

for Beg̃ heydes afore the . . . .

Ihō Smyth ... ... iiij^{d}

for not keping the stret

M^{r} Warden ... ... vj^{d}

for keping vnleffull R . . . . (?)

Jhō cholerton ... ... i^{d}

for keping swyne vnleffull

Hugh Bordman ... ... vj^{d}
huett Renshall ... ... vj^{d}
thomas Smyth ... ... vj^{d}
edmund blemeley... ... ... vj^{d}
M^{rs} Langley 6 swine ... ...
Rič m^{r}shall ... ...

for keping . . . . (?)

Rič hunt ... ...
vx^{r} Hugh Gee for a Swyne vn. . . . .
arther Jones ... ...
Rič mish . . . . (?) ideo ... ...
Robert garnett ideo ... ...
Rauff S . . . .
M^{r} thomas. . . . .
Hugh Oldome ... ...
Willī Bolam (?) ... ...
henry Dodge ... ...
elees (?) shalcros (?) ... ...

[The edge of the leaf torn away.]

pro colihurste
Robert Ridings } [crossed out]

M^d that in ano 1564 in october the marcy-ments [amercements] not accountyng the none apparance is in some or ther abouts ... ... } iiij^li ix^s [£4 9s.]

M^d that in año 1565 the 25 of apryll the amercymēts of y^e court not accountyng the none apparance is in some... ... } ix^li xiij^s x^d [£9 13s. 10d.]

Rycharde ffoxe

M^d that in Anno 1567 the 30^th of october the amercements dyd not amount aboue ... ... } xxiij^s j^d [23s. 1d.]

M^d that in anno 1568 the 13 of Maye the amercements dyd not amont aboue... } iij^li xviij^s vj^d [£3 18s. 6d.]

M^d that in año 1570 the vj^th of octobar besyd nonapearance ... ... } lij^s vj^d [52s. 6d.]

Thomas marecrofte xl^s
Ric? smethurste
Edwarde bowker
George strete
Randall hiltonne [crossed out]
Oswolde mosleye [crossed out]
wiłłm Raualde xl^s
Omfray nightingale

Ather Rosonne
John byllye [? Bybbye]
william horrockes
Simonde warde
James peresonne
John cromptone
James hardeye

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APPENDIX No. I.

LIST OF THE BOROUGHREEVES AND CONSTABLES OF MANCHESTER, FROM 1552 TO 1586.

[Modern spelling.]

	Boroughreeve.	Constables.
Elected 4th Oct., 1552 to 1553	Robert Beck	Francis Pendleton Richard Shalcross
Elected ..... 1553 to 1554	[Part of the Records of this Court are missing.]	
Elected 11th Dec., 1554 to 1555	Nicholas Siddall	Robert Holme Robert Beck
Elected 16th Oct., 1555 to 1556	William Hardy	Edward Bibby John Moss
Elected 30th Sept., 1556 to 1557	Peter Cowopp	William Radcliff Ellis Hall
Elected 30th Sept., 1557 to 1558	Richard Owen	Alexander Massie George Proudlove
Elected ..... 1558 to 1559	[The Records of this Court are missing.]	
Elected 4th Oct., 1559 to 1560	John Gee	Randle Proudlove William Hardy
Elected 2nd Oct., 1560 to 1561	Richard Galley	Robert Marler George Travis
Elected 1st Oct., 1561 to 1562	Thomas Harrison	William Baguley Christopher Grant

	Boroughreeve.	Constables.
Elected 30th Sept., 1562 to 1563	Edward Rilstone	Thomas Willott George Pendleton
Elected 30th Sept., 1563 to 1564	Thomas Willott	Robert Langley George Birch
Elected . . . . . 1564 to 1565	[Part of the Records of this Court are missing.]	
Elected 3rd Oct., 1565 to 1566	George Pendleton	John Haughton James Rilstone
Elected 2nd Oct., 1566 to 1567	James Chorlton	Roger Bexwick Nicholas Bexwick
Elected 1st Oct., 1567 to 1568	John Davy	Hugh Shacklock William Hunt
Elected 6th Oct., 1568 to 1569	Christopher Grant	Robert Greenhalgh Hugh Thorpe
Elected 4th Oct., 1569 to 1570	Edward Hanson	John Radcliff John Davy
Elected 4th Oct., 1570 to 1571	Ralph Proudlove	George Proudlove Anthony Shepherd
Elected 3rd Oct., 1571 to 1572	William Baguley	Richard Gee Robert Buckley
Elected 1st Oct., 1572 to 1573	John Birch	Edmund Nugent Robert Hardy
Elected 30th Sept., 1573 to 1574	John Radcliff	William Radcliff George Proudlove
Elected 30th Sept., 1574 to 1575	Humphrey Haughton	George Travis Robert Marler
Elected 30th Sept., 1575 to 1576	George Birch	Henry Gee John Birch

	Boroughreeve.	Constables.
Elected 2nd Oct., 1576 to 1577	John Gee	Christopher Grant Nicholas Beck
Elected 30th Sept., 1577 to 1578	John Gee	Thomas Ainsworth Richard Tipping
Elected 7th Oct., 1578 to 1579	Robert Langley	Ralph Proudlove Richard Moreton
Elected 30th Sept., 1579 to 1580	Thomas Goodier	Thomas Brownsworth Ralph Sorocold
Elected 5th Oct., 1580 to 1581	Henry Gee	Thomas Goodier Edward Hanson
Elected 6th Oct., 1581 to 1582	Thomas Beck	Henry Pendleton Henry Hardy
Elected 9th Oct., 1582 to 1583	Henry Pendleton	William Radcliff, gent Robert Langley, gent
Elected 8th Oct., 1583 to 1584	George Travis the elder	Ralph Jepson John Dawson
Elected . . [? Oct.], 1584 to 1585	George Proudlove	Humphrey Haughton Richard Nugent
Elected 7th Oct., 1585 to 1586	Ralph Sorocold	George Proudlove John Gee, draper

APPENDIX No. II.

LIST OF UNCOMMON, OBSOLETE, AND DIALECT WORDS TO BE FOUND IN THE PRECEDING PAGES.

As so much interest is now taken in the scientific study of words, and their meanings in times gone by, it has been thought that a list of the uncommon, obsolete, and dialect words to be found in the preceding pages will be of service to many readers, and will save much time and trouble to those who may wish to consult these pages in search of out-of-the-way words. The figure opposite each word shows the page on which it will be found, and in the case of most of the rarer words an explanation of its meaning will be found in the notes.

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Page 12, Note 1.—Although the whole of the Garrett estate is now covered with buildings, part of the old Hall is still standing, and a recent interior view of it will be found in Mr. Henry Taylor's *Old Halls in Lancashire and Cheshire*, plate xxx.

Page 15, Note 3, line 8.—Isabel Beck, the widow of *Thomas* Beck.

Page 48, paragraph 3.—The Jury presented (4th Oct., 1559) that Katherine, late wife of Hamnet Massie, is dead since the last Court day, and that Randle Massie, her son, is her heir and of lawful age, &c. This Katherine was one of the daughters and co-heirs of Ralph Rudde, of Manchester, the representative of an old Manchester family, whose pedigree has been traced back to the time of Edward I. She married Hamlet Massey, who was the son of Edmund Massey, the third son of James Massey, of Sale. co. Chester, Esq., by his wife Alice, daughter of Sir John Massey, of Poddington, co. Chester, Knt. Randle Massey (the son and heir of Hamlet Massey and Katherine, his wife) married and left issue Edward Massey, of Manchester, who had an only daughter and heiress, Isabel.

Page 109, line 13.—For ꝯ read q̃

Page 110, lines 15 and 16.—For ꝯ read q̃

Page 123, first paragraph.—The burgage, in the Milnegate, purchased by Richard Fox from Francis Chaloner, was the one to which the Common Oven, or the Lord's Oven, was attached. (See pp. 55 and 211.)

Page 143, note 1, line 5.—*Dele* the words "but by her he had no issue." For a fuller account of Thomas Willott, see p. 190, note 1.

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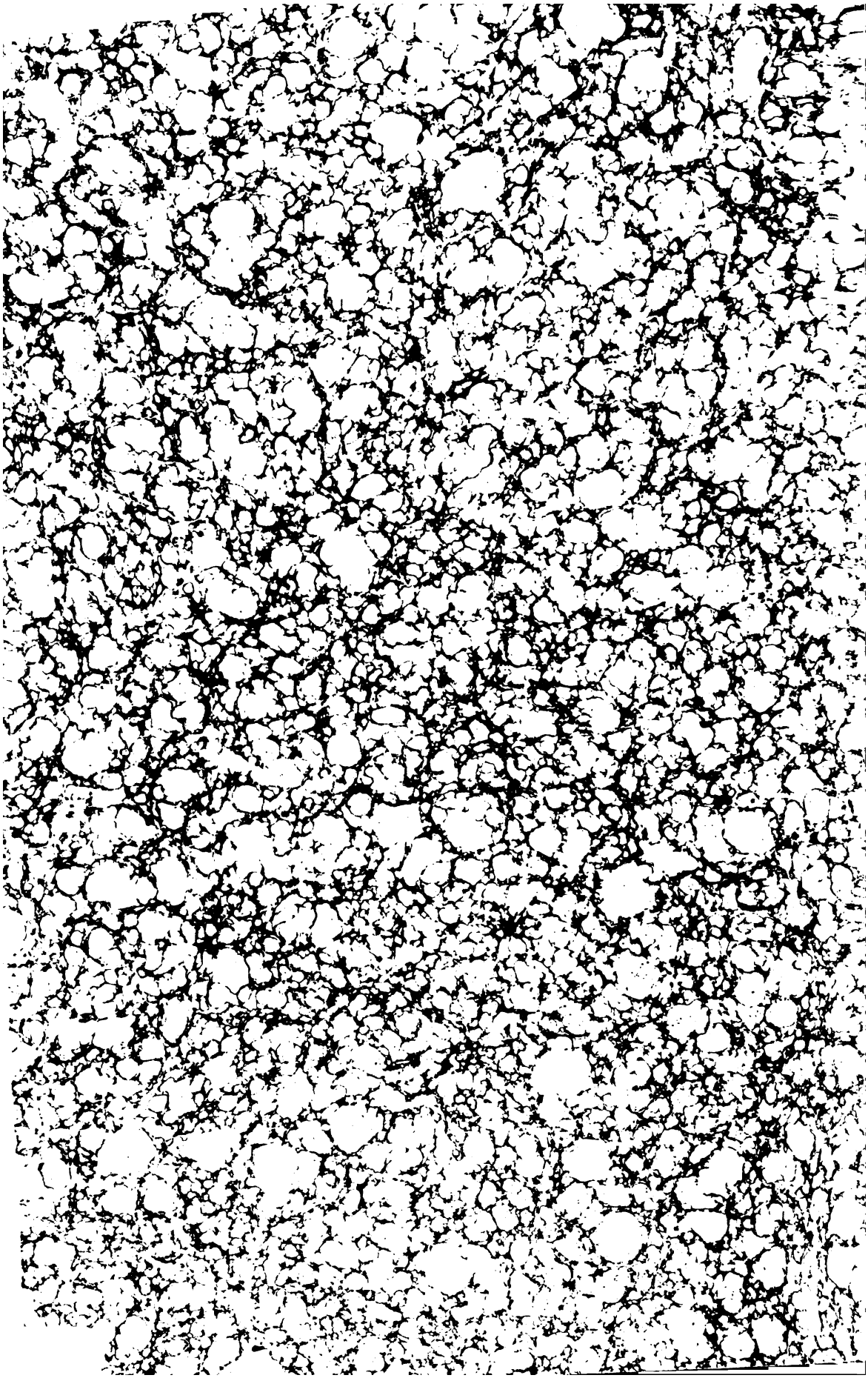

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